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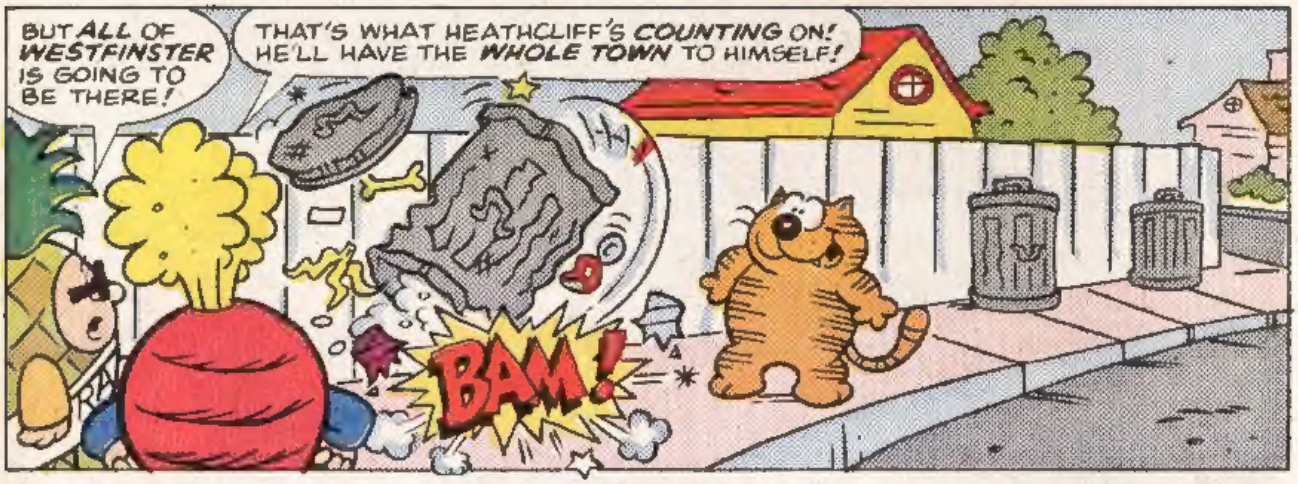
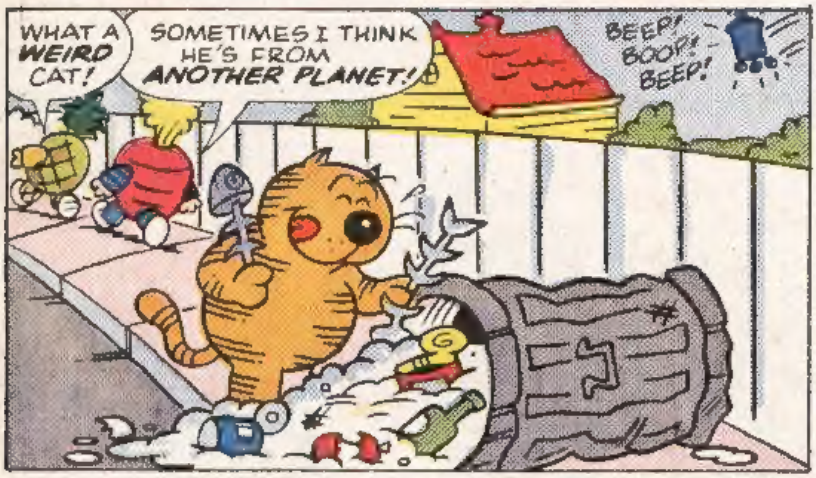
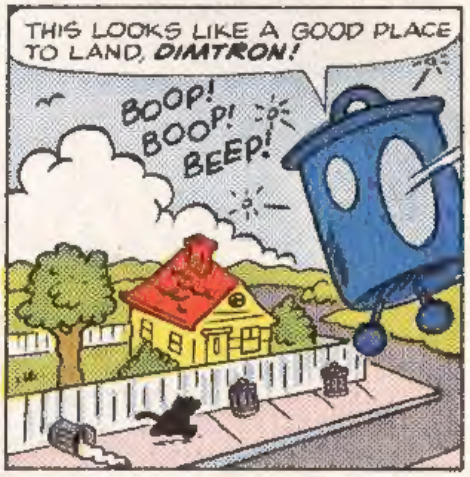

BUT ALL OF WESTFINSTER IS GOING TO BE THERE!
THAT'S WHAT HEATHCLIFF'S COUNTING ON! HE'LL HAVE THE WHOLE TOWN TO HIMSELF!
BAM!


WHAT A WEIRD CAT!
SOMETIMES I THINK HE'S FROM ANOTHER PLANET!
BEEP! BOOP! BEEP!


THIS LOOKS LIKE A GOOD PLACE TO LAND, DIMTRON!
BOOP! BOOP! BEEP!

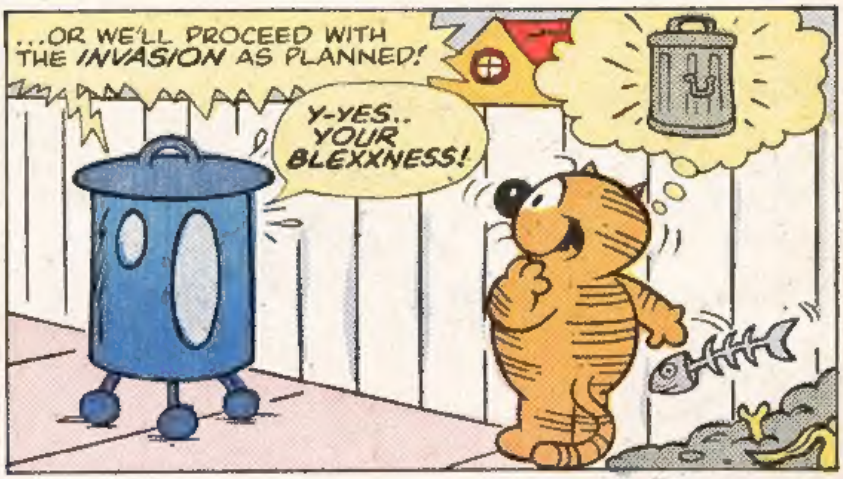
HEY! IS THAT AN EARTHLING, DIMTRON?
IT MUST BE! THIS IS PLANET EARTH, ISN'T IT?

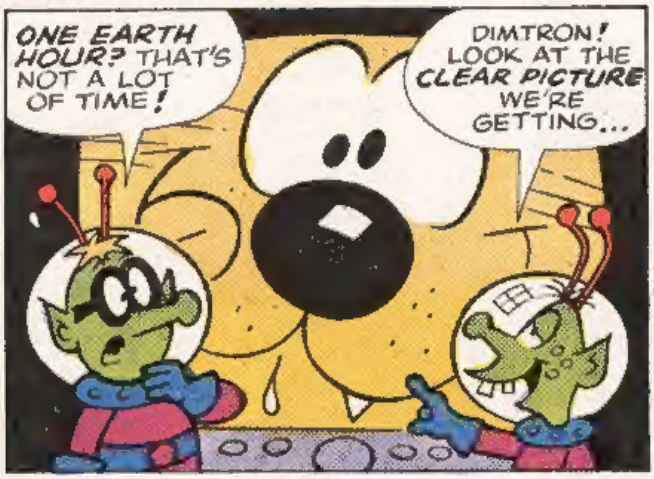
I HOPE YOU REMEMBER WHAT OUR SCOUTING ASSIGNMENT IS, DUMTRON!
UH, TO SELL LOTS OF SPACE SCOUT COOKIES?

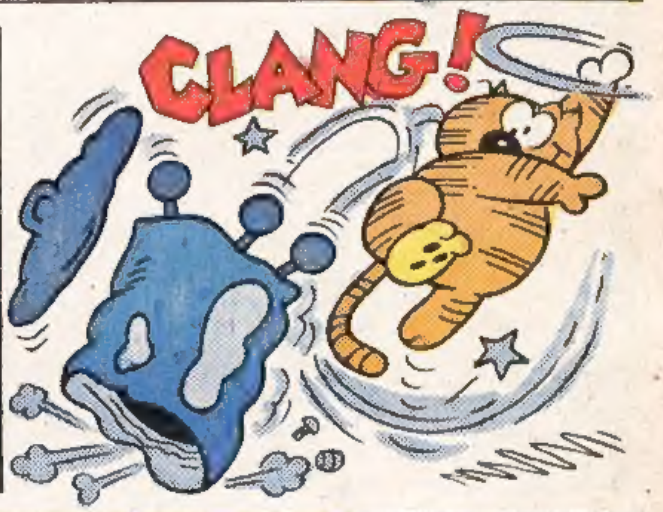
NO! THAT WAS OUR LAST JOB! WE'RE TO STUDY AN EARTH CREATURE AND REPORT BACK TO HEADQUARTERS!

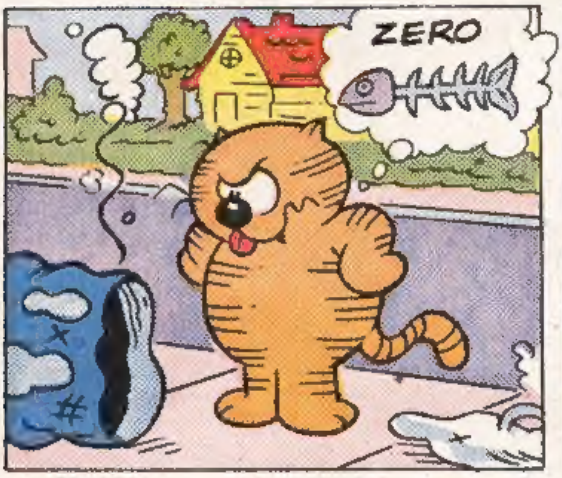
HEY, YOU TWO! I'M WAITING FOR INFORMATION ABOUT THE EARTHLINGS!
ULP! IT'S OUR LEADER, BLEXX!

FIND OUT IF THE EARTHLINGS CAN BE CONQUERED AND REPORT BACK TO ME IN ONE EARTH HOUR...

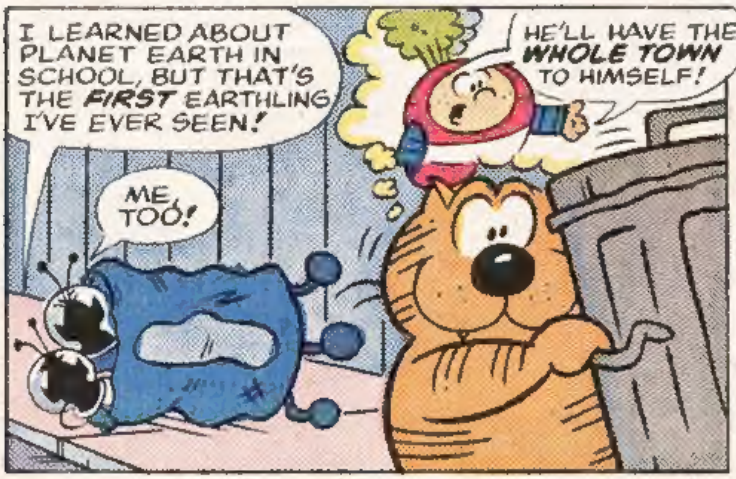

...OR WE'LL PROCEED WITH THE INVASION AS PLANNED!
Y-YES.. YOUR BLEXXNESS!

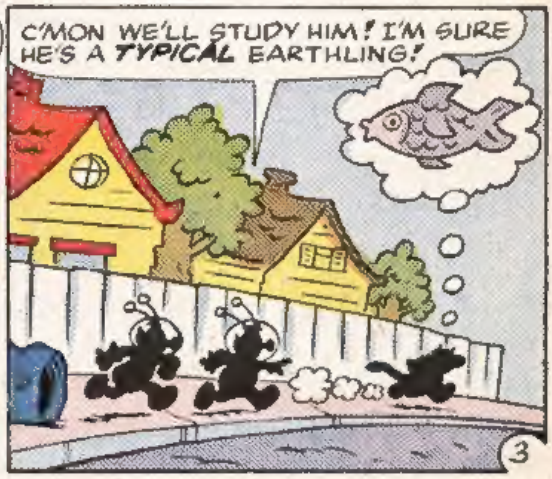

ONE EARTH HOUR? THAT'S NOT A LOT OF TIME!
DIMTRON! LOOK AT THE CLEAR PICTURE WE'RE GETTING...

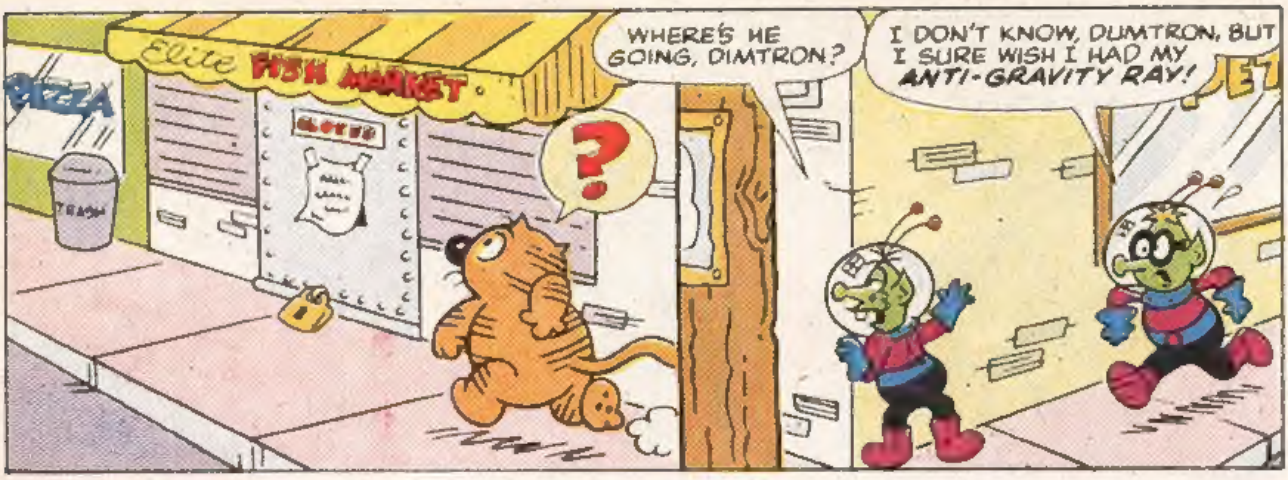

CLANG!


ZERO

WELL...WE WON'T HAVE TO TEST HIS STRENGTH!


I LEARNED ABOUT PLANET EARTH IN SCHOOL, BUT THAT'S THE FIRST EARTHLING I'VE EVER SEEN!
ME TOO!
HE'LL HAVE THE WHOLE TOWN TO HIMSELF!

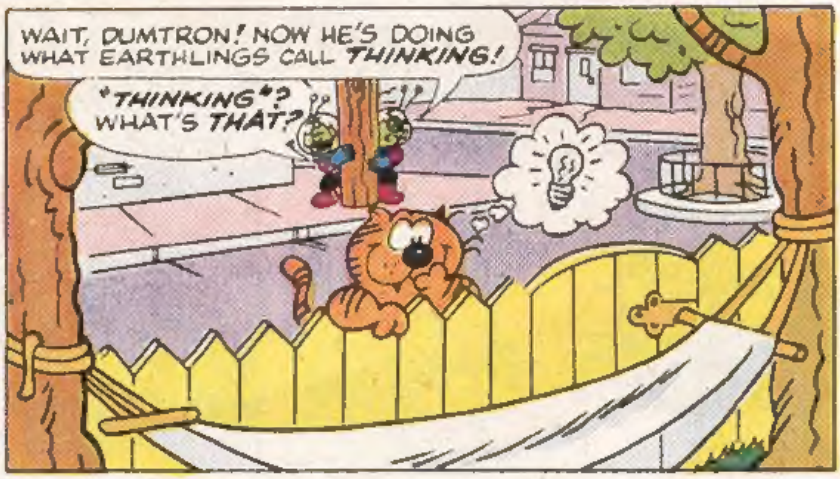

C'MON WE'LL STUDY HIM! I'M SURE HE'S A TYPICAL EARTHLING!

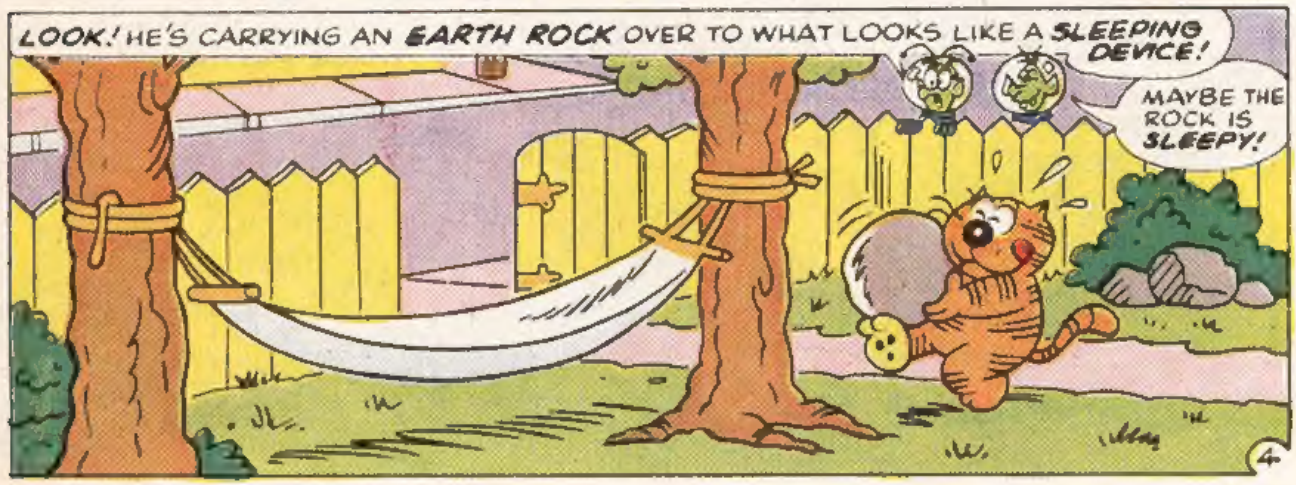

Elite FISH MARKET
PIZZA
TRASH
CLOSED
?
WHERE'S HE GOING, DIMTRON?
I DON'T KNOW, DUMTRON, BUT I SURE WISH I HAD MY ANTI-GRAVITY RAY!

CLOSED
-YOU WON'T SWIPE ANY FISH TODAY, HEATHCLIFF!
Mr. Elite
P.S. HA! HA!

LOOKS LIKE HE'S TRYING TO GET INSIDE!
HEE! HEE! WHAT A STUPID EARTHLING!

HE'S GIVING UP AND CROSSING THE STREET!
LET'S FOLLOW HIM!


WAIT, DUMTRON! NOW HE'S DOING WHAT EARTHLINGS CALL THINKING!
"THINKING"? WHAT'S THAT?


LOOK! HE'S CARRYING AN EARTH ROCK OVER TO WHAT LOOKS LIKE A SLEEPING DEVICE!
MAYBE THE ROCK IS SLEEPY!

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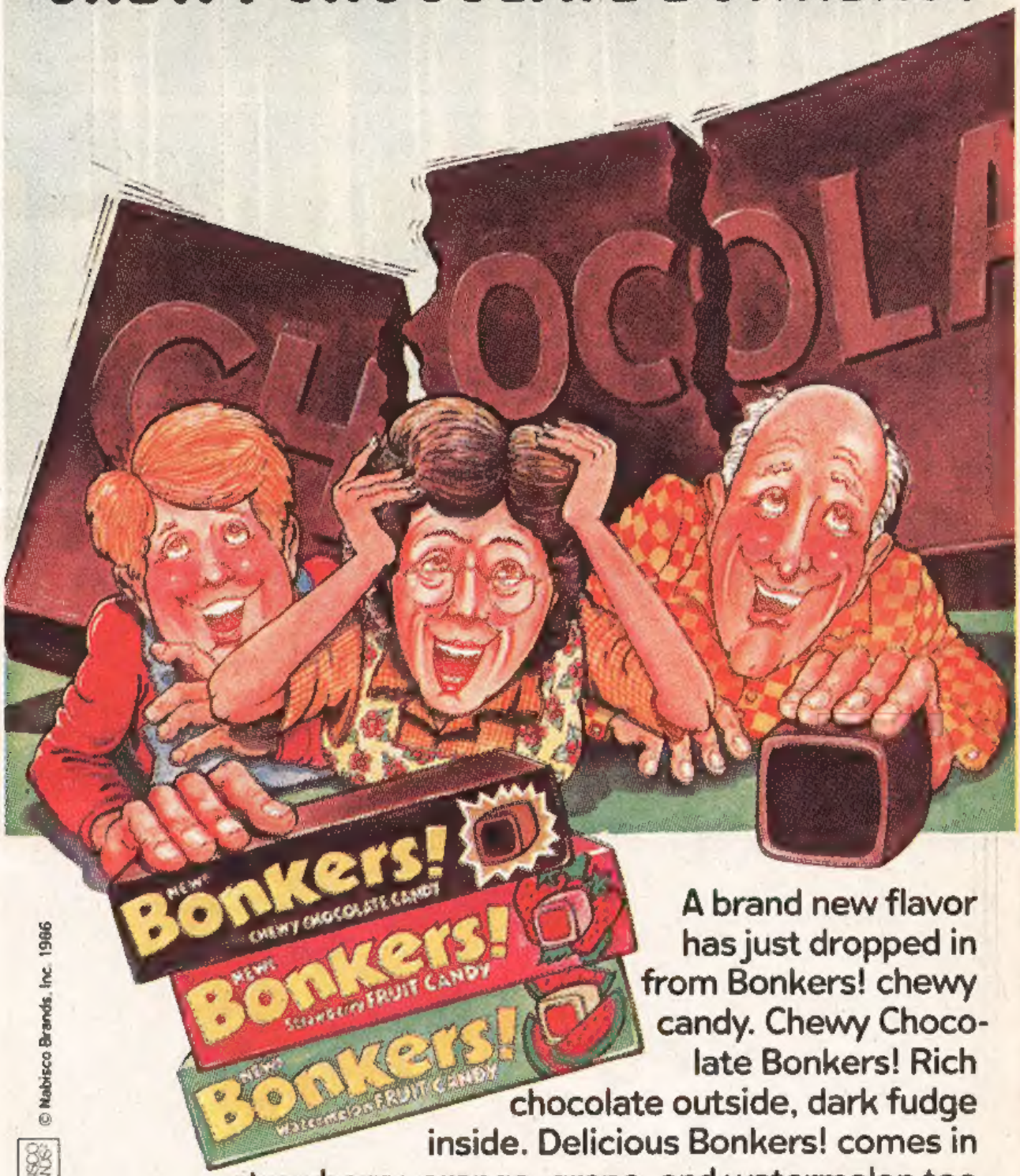

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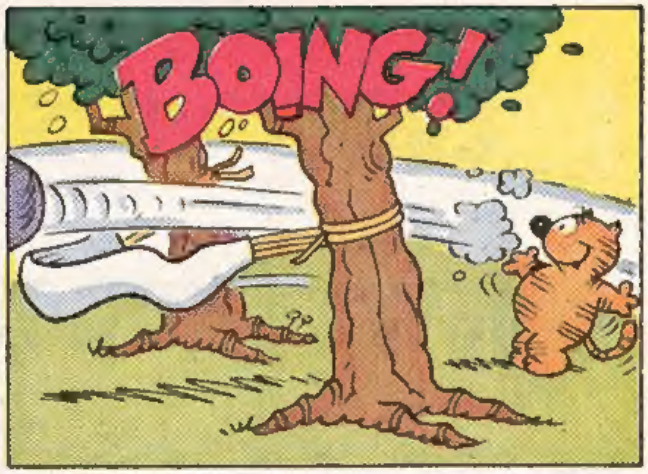
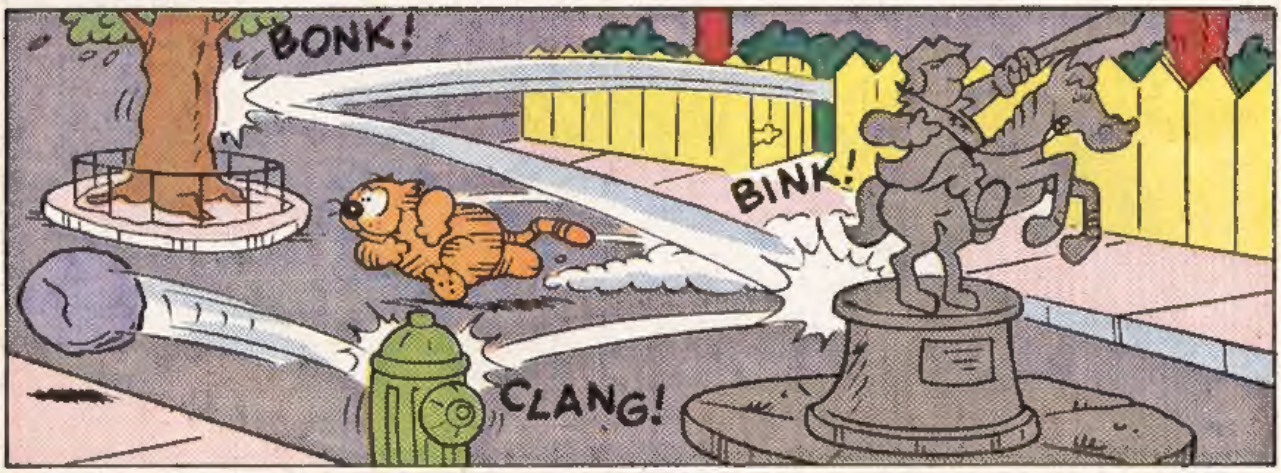
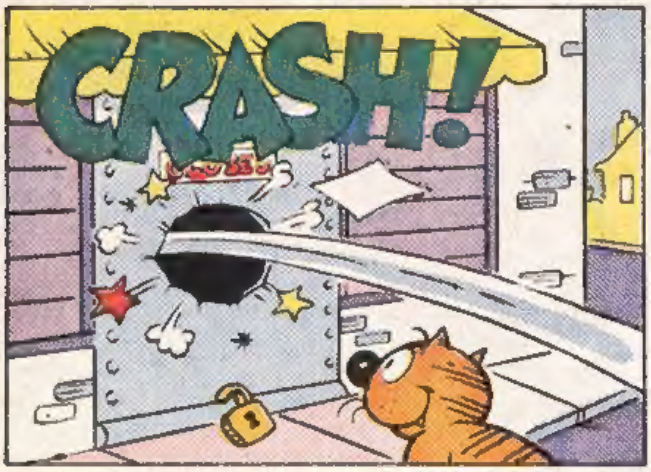

BOING!


BONK!
BINK!
CLANG!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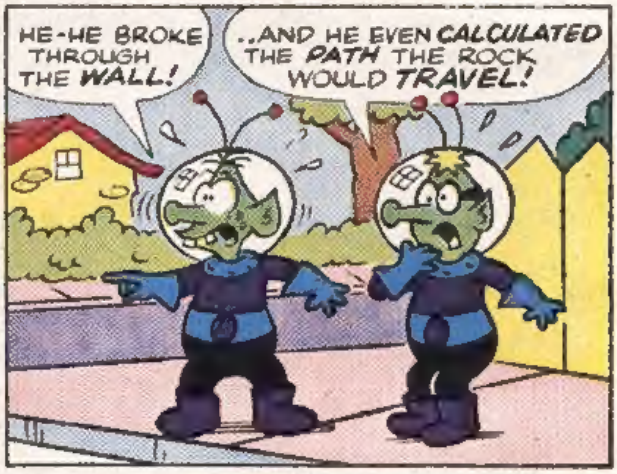
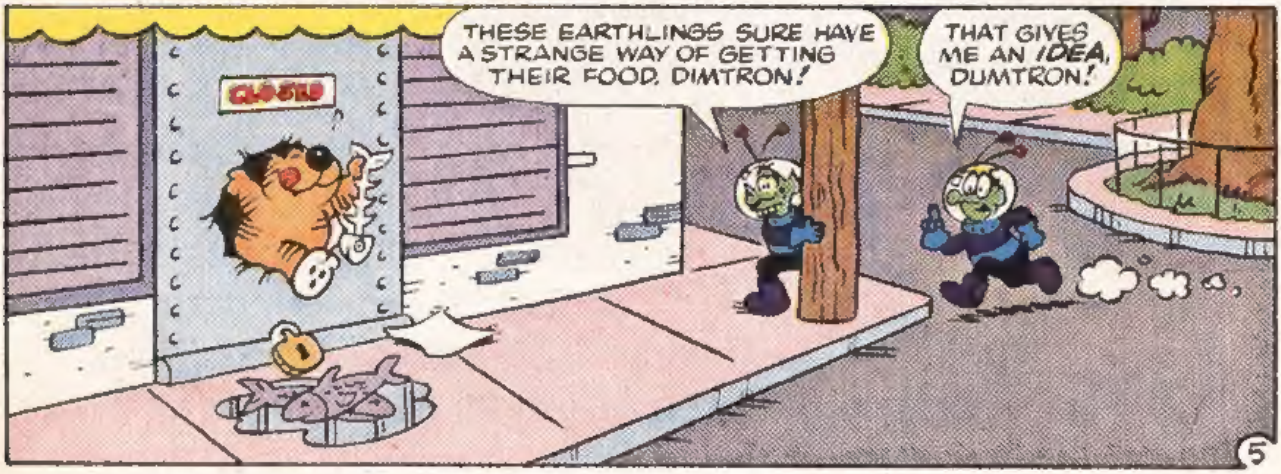

HE-HE BROKE THROUGH THE WALL!
..AND HE EVEN CALCULATED THE PATH THE ROCK WOULD TRAVEL!


CLOSED
THESE EARTHLINGS SURE HAVE A STRANGE WAY OF GETTING THEIR FOOD, DIMTRON!
THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA, DUMTRON!

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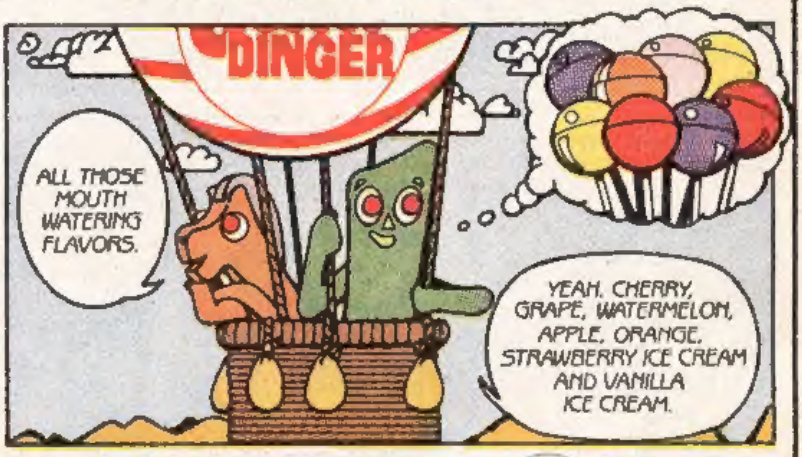

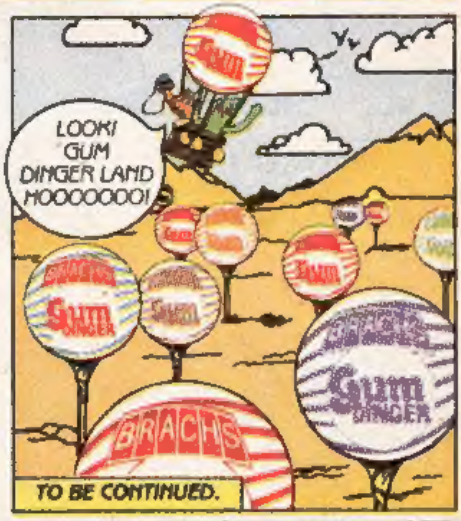

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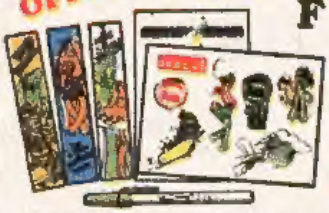

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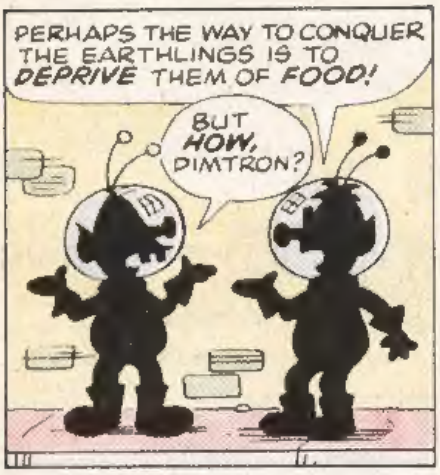
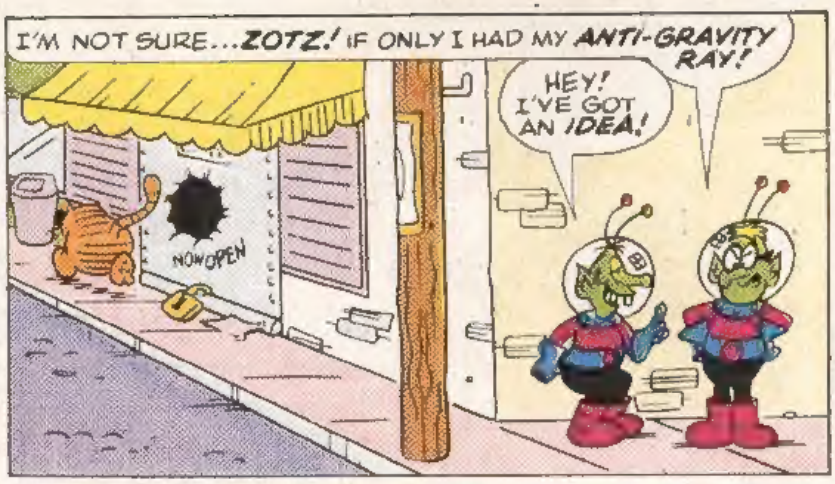
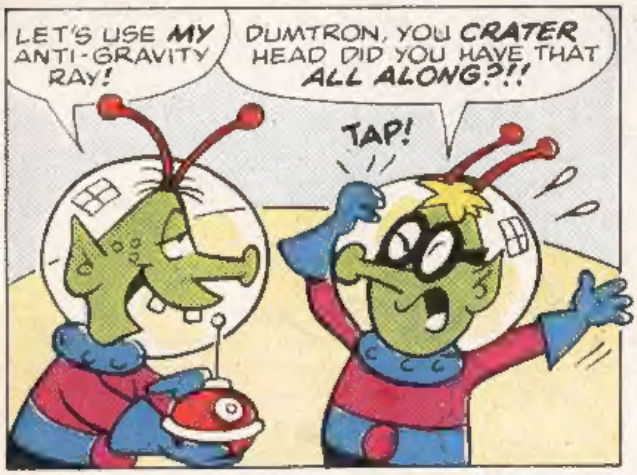
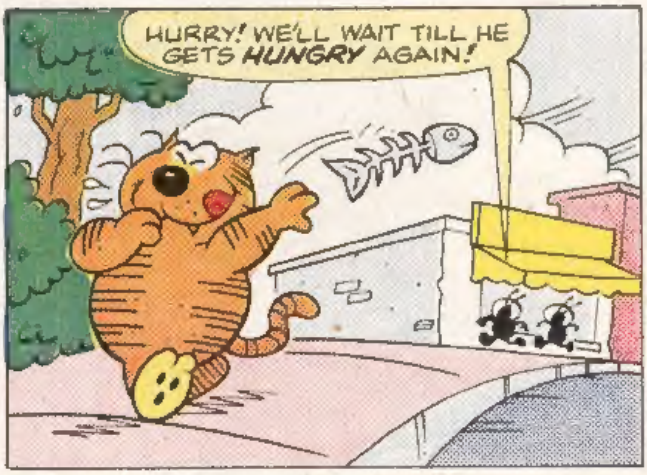
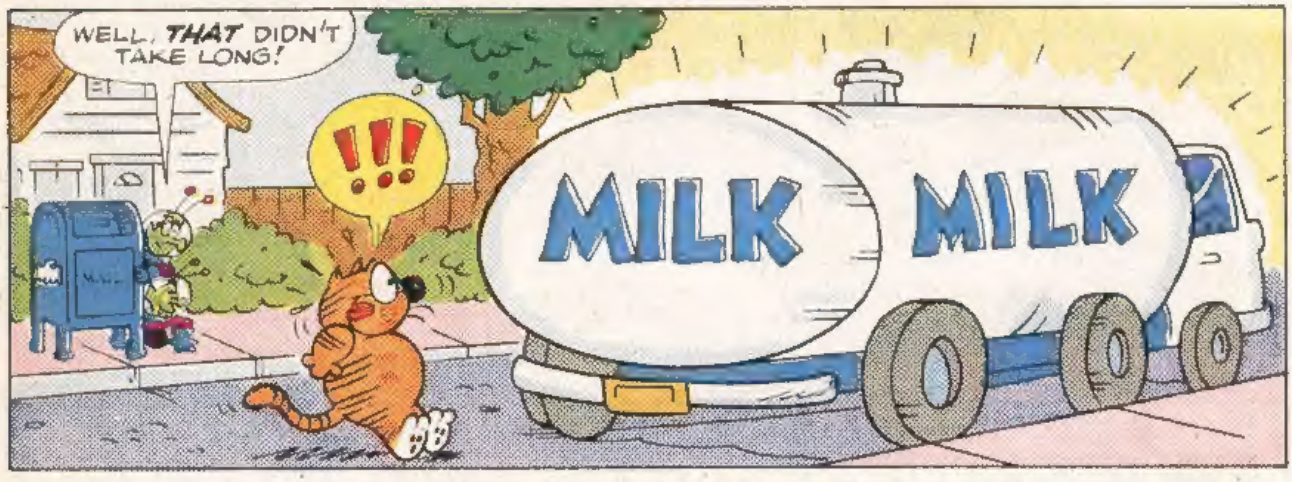

PERHAPS THE WAY TO CONQUER THE EARTHLINGS IS TO DEPRIVE THEM OF FOOD!
BUT HOW, DIMTRON?


I'M NOT SURE...ZOTZ! IF ONLY I HAD MY ANTI-GRAVITY RAY!
HEY! I'VE GOT AN IDEA!
NOW OPEN


LET'S USE MY ANTI-GRAVITY RAY!
DUMTRON, YOU CRATER HEAD DID YOU HAVE THAT ALL ALONG?!!
TAP!


HURRY! WE'LL WAIT TILL HE GETS HUNGRY AGAIN!


WELL, THAT DIDN'T TAKE LONG!
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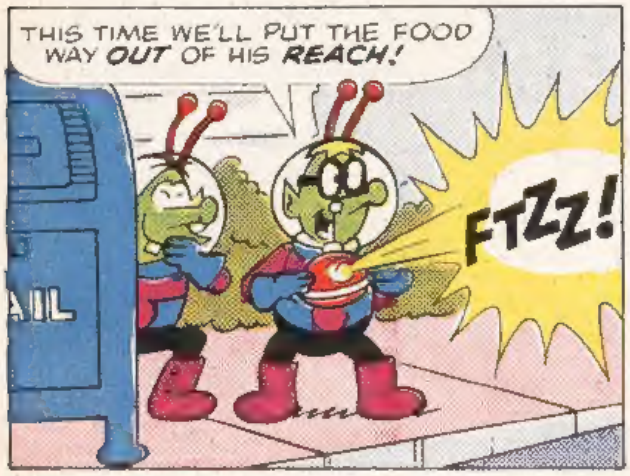
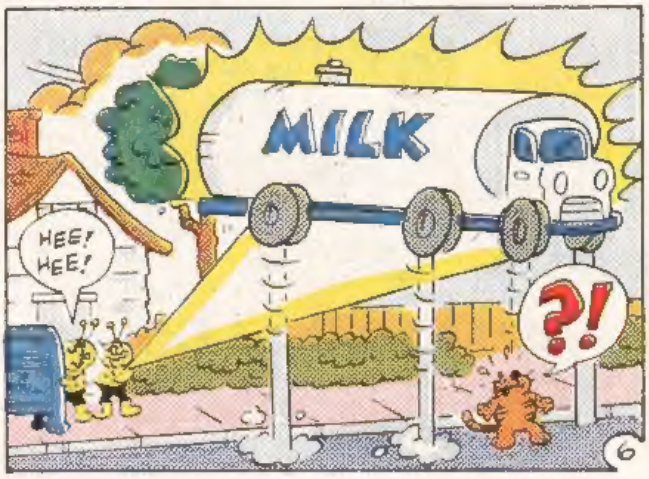
MILK


THIS TIME WE'LL PUT THE FOOD WAY OUT OF HIS REACH!
FTZZ!


MILK
HEE! HEE!
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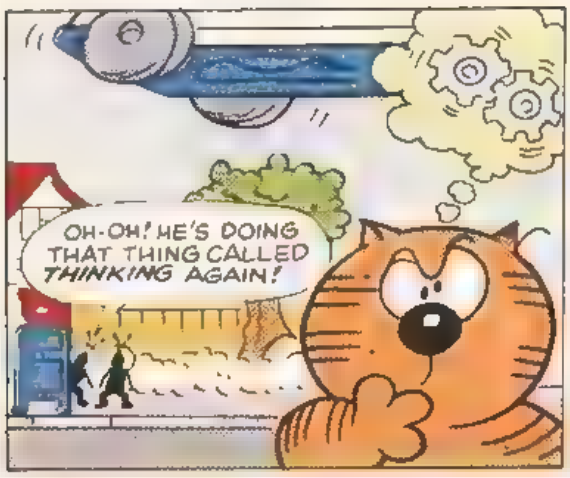
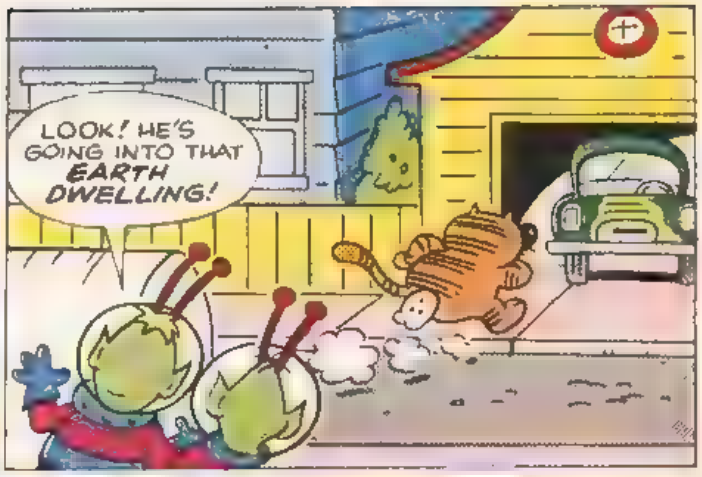
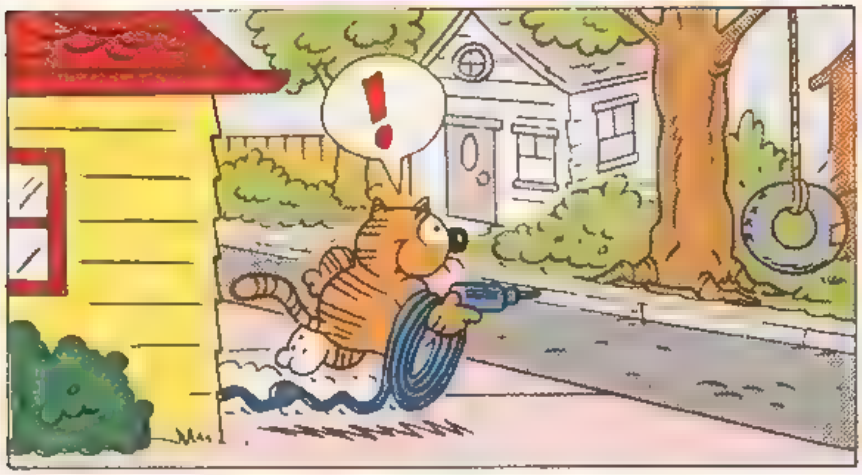

OH-OH! HE'S DOING THAT THING CALLED THINKING AGAIN!


LOOK! HE'S GOING INTO THAT EARTH DWELLING!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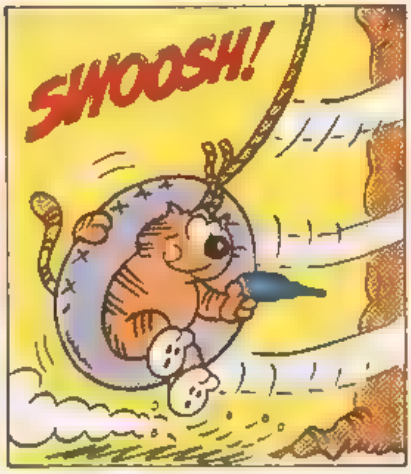
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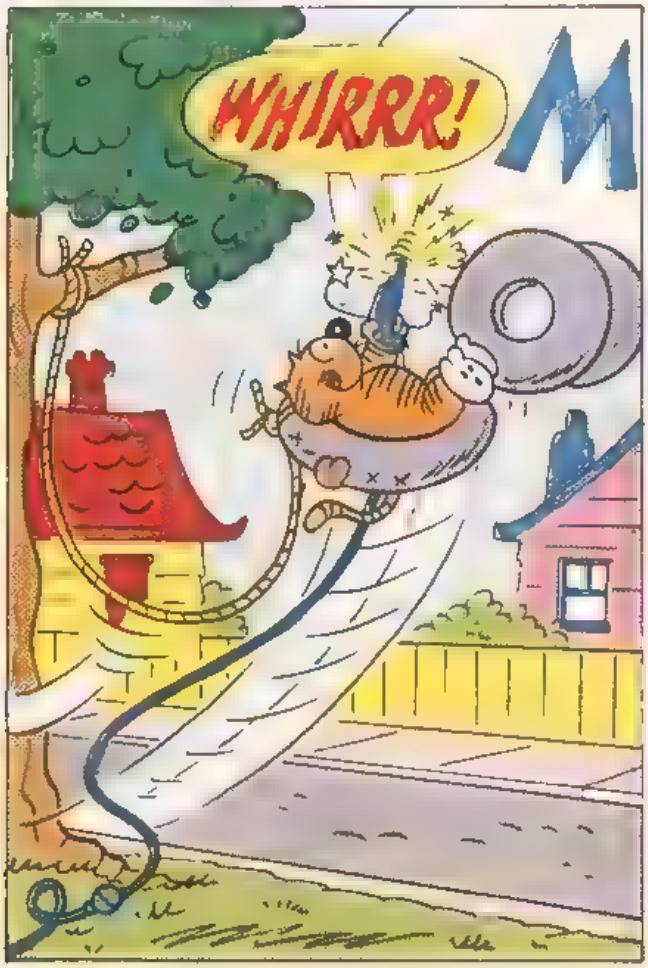
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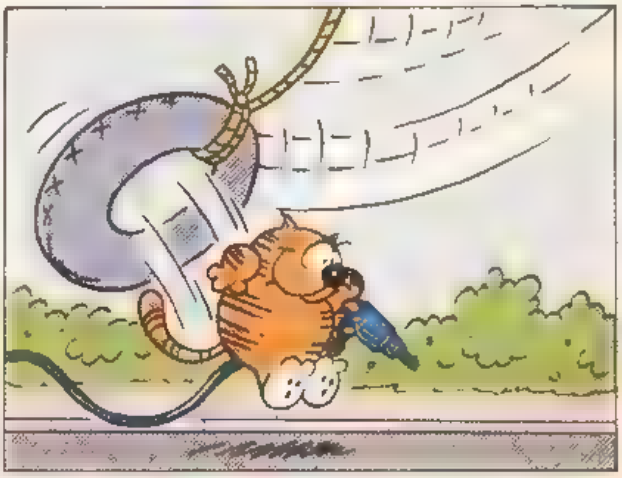

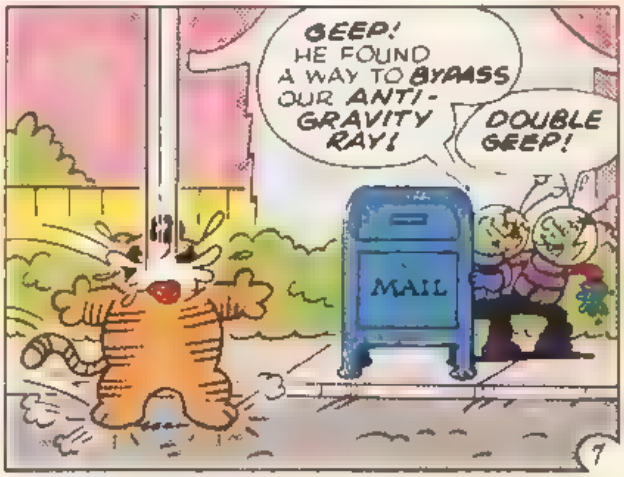
GEEP! HE FOUND A WAY TO BYPASS OUR ANTI-GRAVITY RAY!
DOUBLE GEEP!
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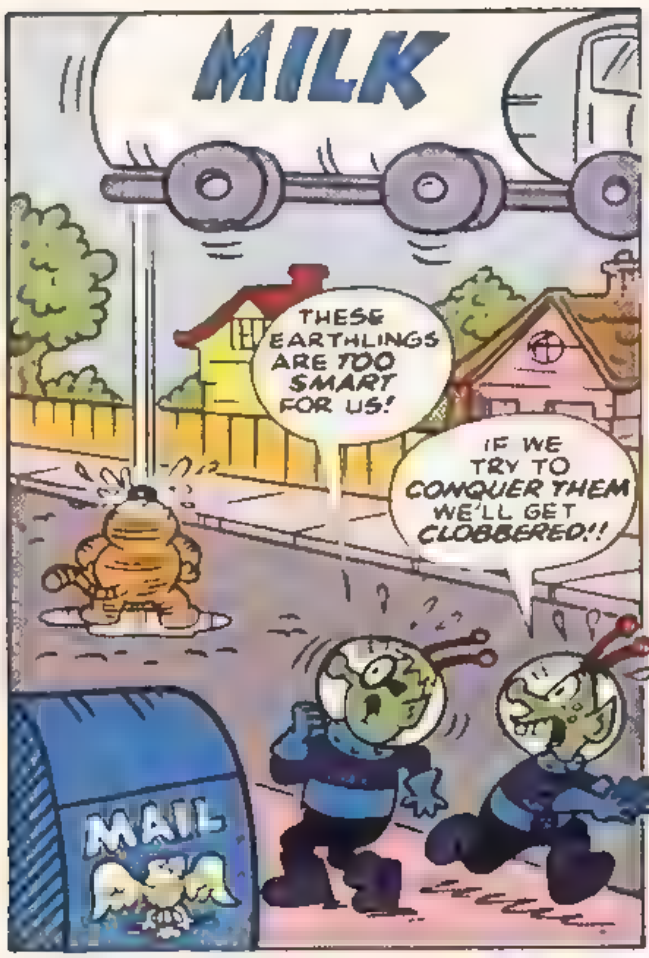
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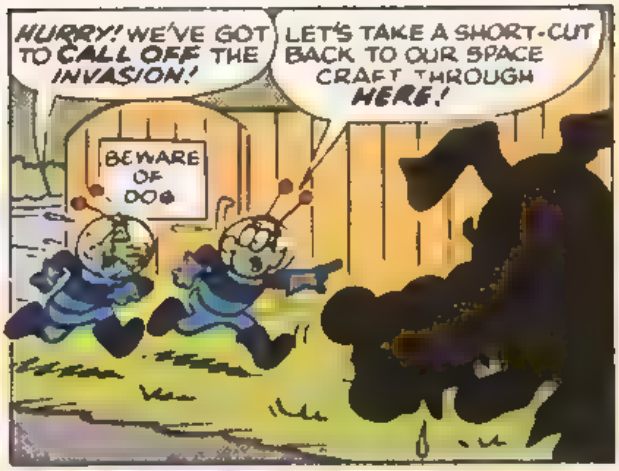
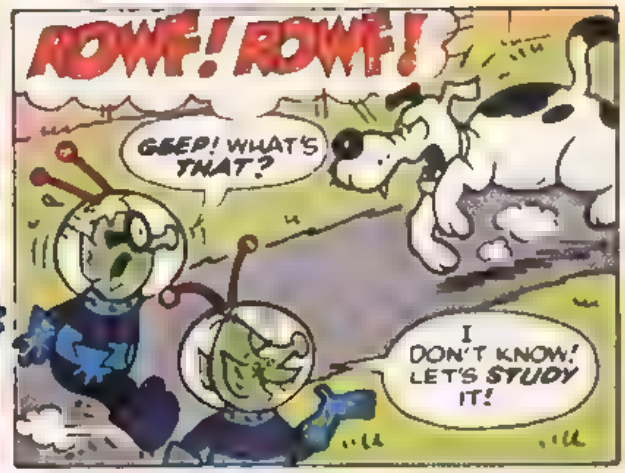
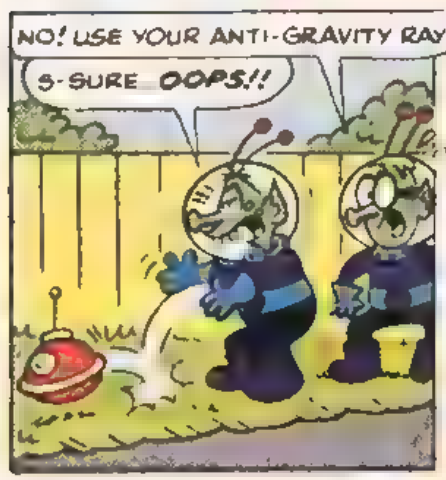
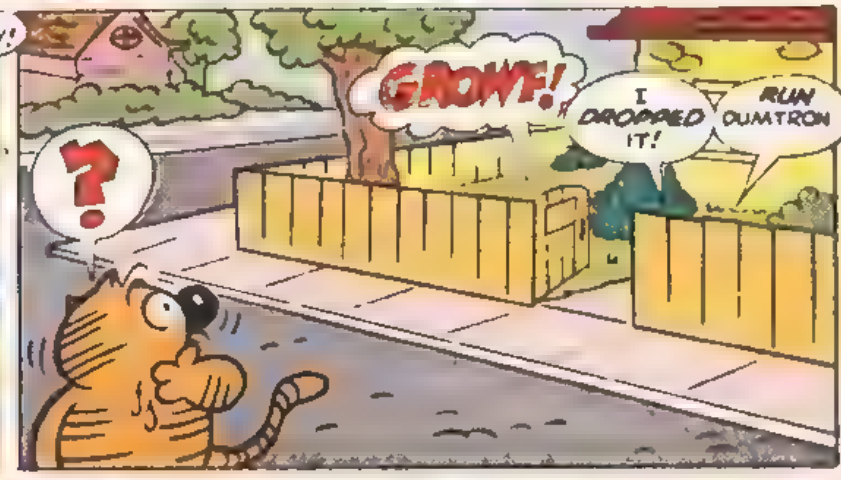
THESE EARTHLINGS ARE TOO SMART FOR US!
IF WE TRY TO CONQUER THEM WE'LL GET CLOBBERED!!
MAIL


HURRY! WE'VE GOT TO CALL OFF THE INVASION!
LET'S TAKE A SHORT-CUT BACK TO OUR SPACE CRAFT THROUGH HERE!
BEWARE OF DOG


ROWF! ROWF!
GEEP! WHAT'S THAT?
I DON'T KNOW! LET'S STUDY IT!


NO! USE YOUR ANTI-GRAVITY RAY!
S-SURE OOPS!!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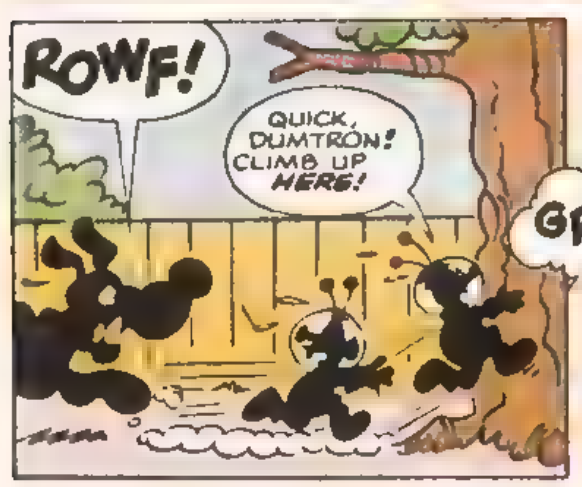
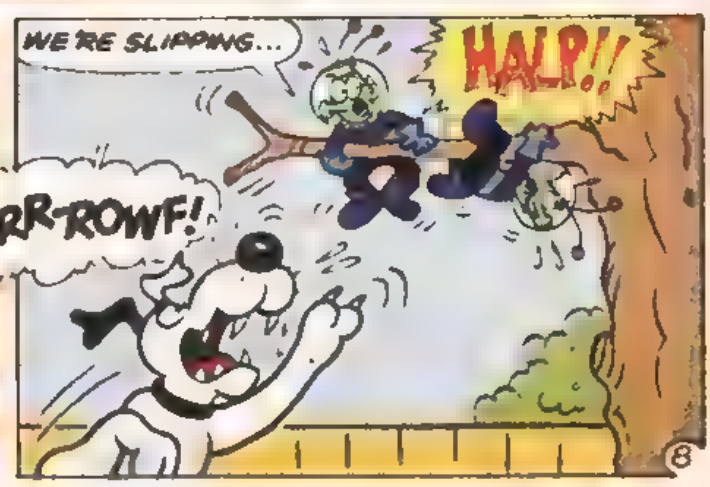
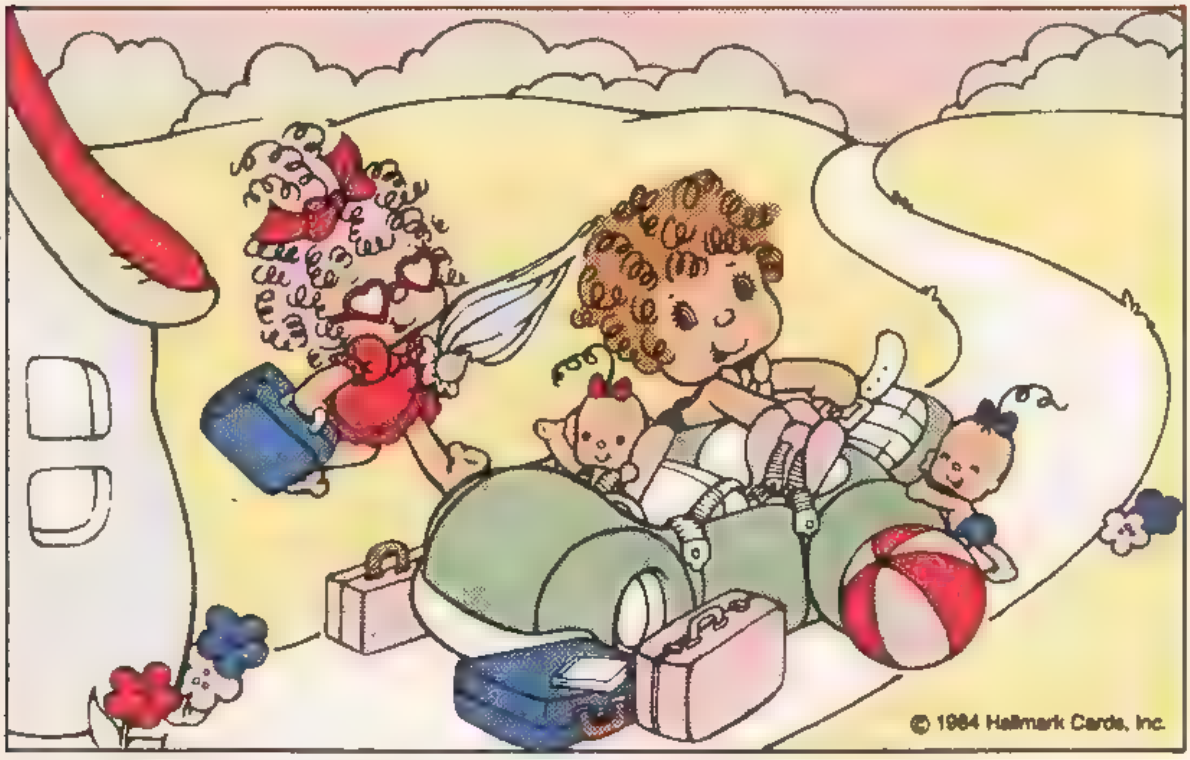
GROWF!
I DROPPED IT!
RUN DUMTRON


ROWF!
QUICK, DUMTRON! CLIMB UP HERE!


WE'RE SLIPPING...
HALP!!
GRR-ROWF!

THE HUGGA BUNCH
AND "THE BEST HUG OF ALL!"



Hey Kids! Summer vacation is almost over and school will be starting before you know it. The Hugga Bunch hope you have had a great time so far because they sure have. Just like you, they have gone on trips to the beach, to the mountains, to visit relatives, and to a lot of other interesting places. They all got there and back safely, because they gave each other "The Best Hug Of All" as soon as they climbed into the car. Do you know what the "Best Hug Of All" is? Well, just figure out the puzzle and find the answer.

Substitute the letters in the code and write the secret message below.

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2 5 19 20 8 21 7 15 6 1 12 12 !

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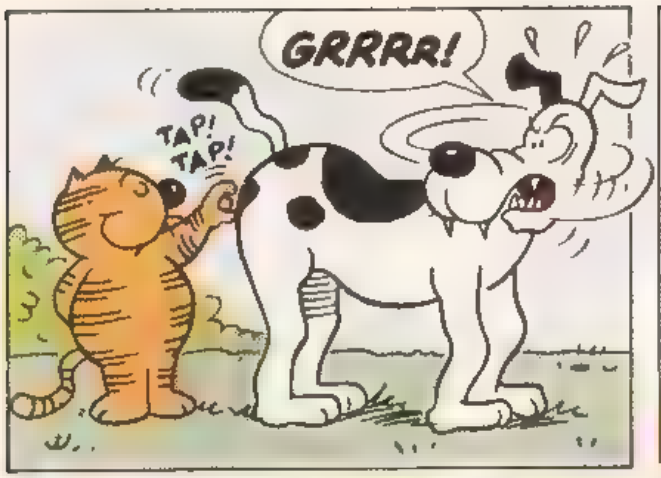
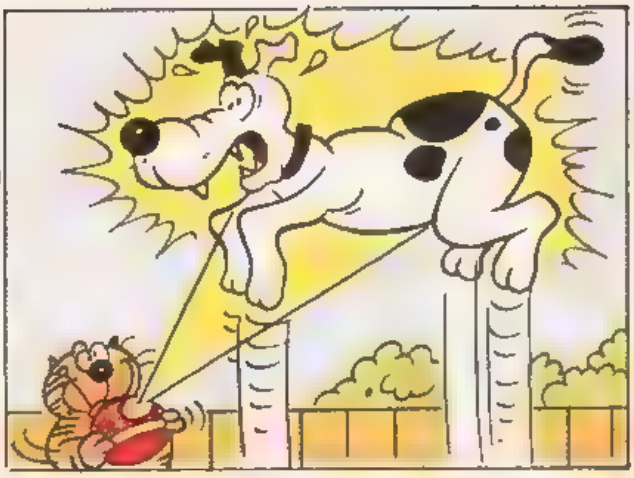
ANSWER: When you fasten your seat belt, that is "The Best Hug Of All"!


GRRRR!
TAP! TAP!



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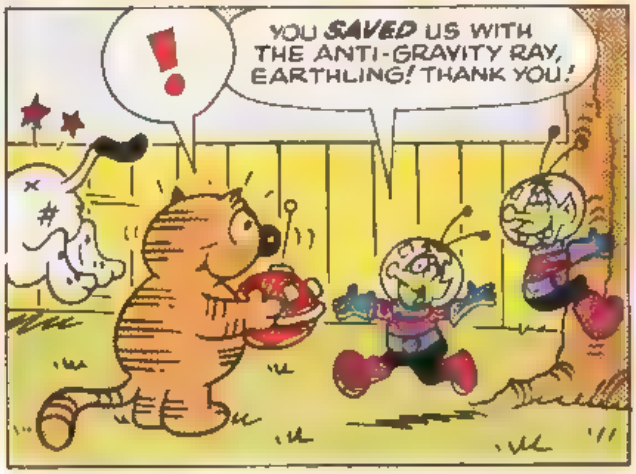
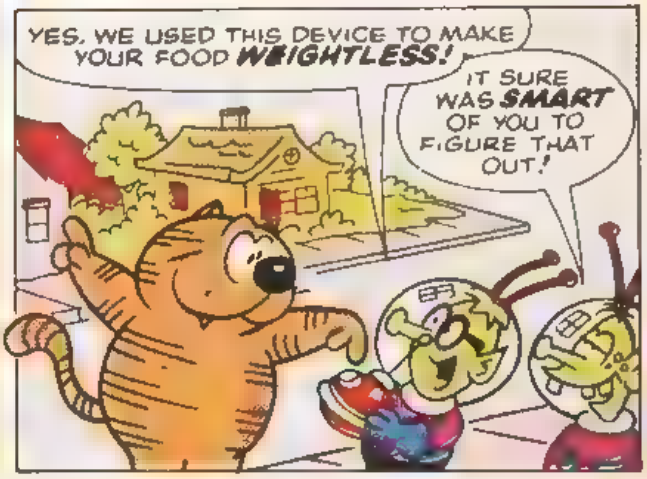
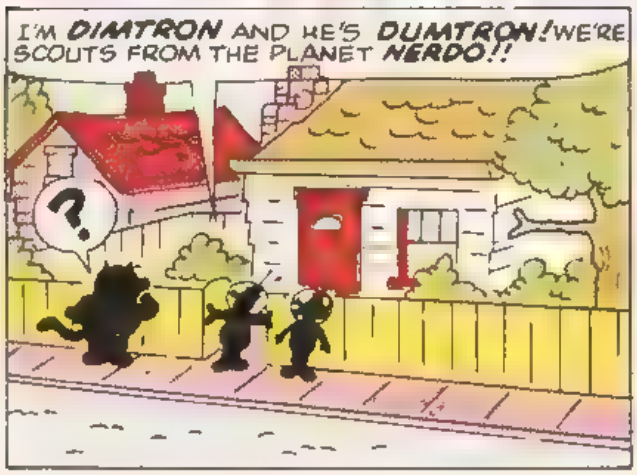

!
YOU SAVED US WITH THE ANTI-GRAVITY RAY, EARTHLING! THANK YOU!


YES, WE USED THIS DEVICE TO MAKE YOUR FOOD WEIGHTLESS!
IT SURE WAS SMART OF YOU TO FIGURE THAT OUT!


I'M DIMTRON AND HE'S DUMTRON! WE'RE SCOUTS FROM THE PLANET NERDO!!
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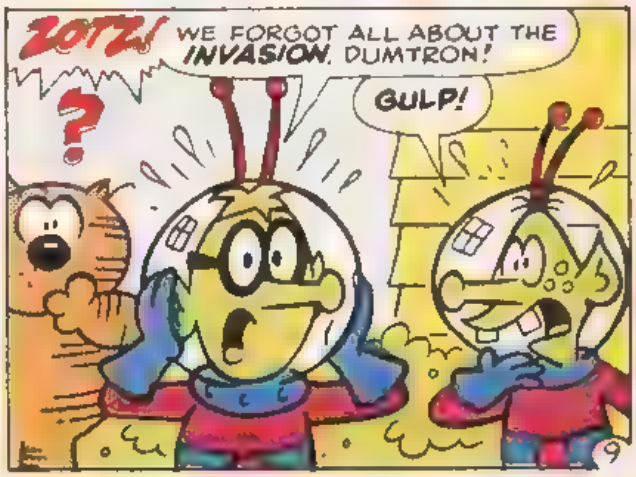
ZOTZ!
WE FORGOT ALL ABOUT THE INVASION, DUMTRON!
GULP!
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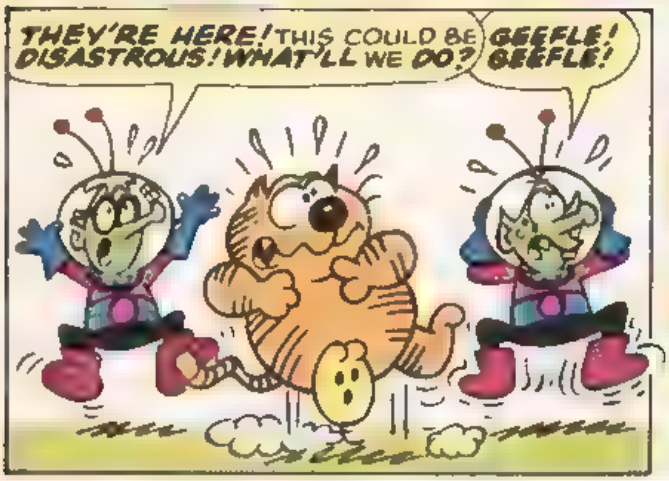
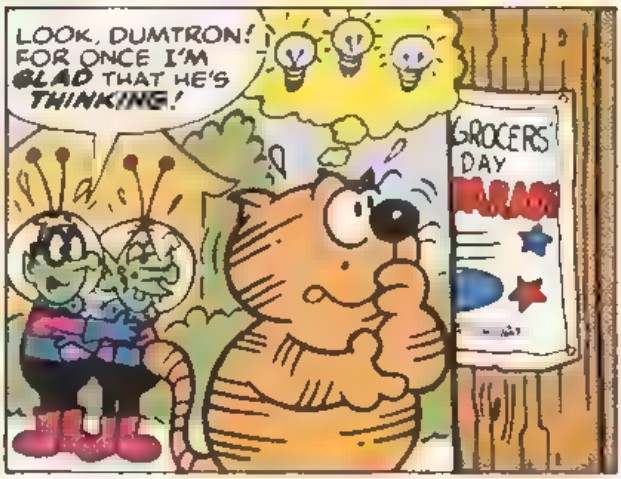
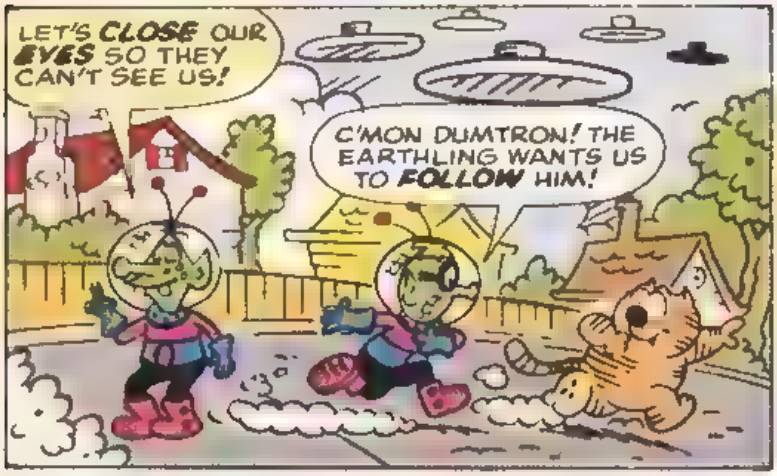
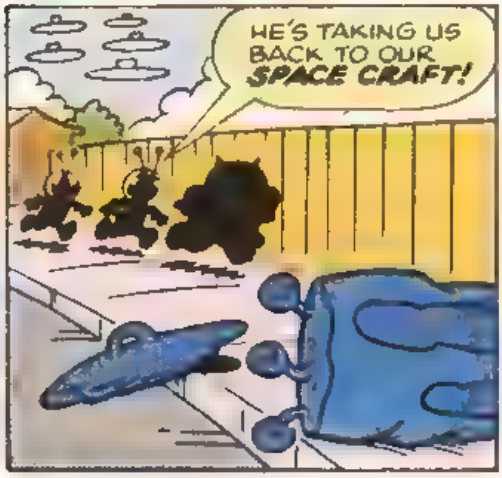
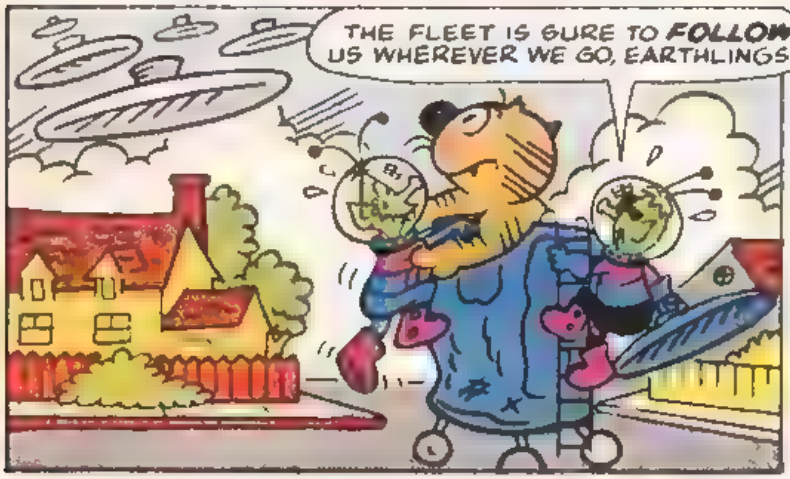
OUR LEADER IS ON HIS WAY TO INVADE EARTH WITH A FLEET OF SPACE SHIPS!
BALONEY!
YEAH! AND IT LOOKS JUST LIKE THAT ONE!

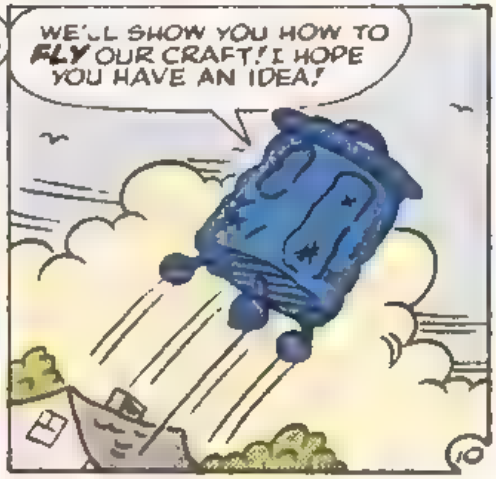

THEY'RE HERE! THIS COULD BE DISASTROUS! WHAT'LL WE DO?
GEEFLE! GEEFLE!

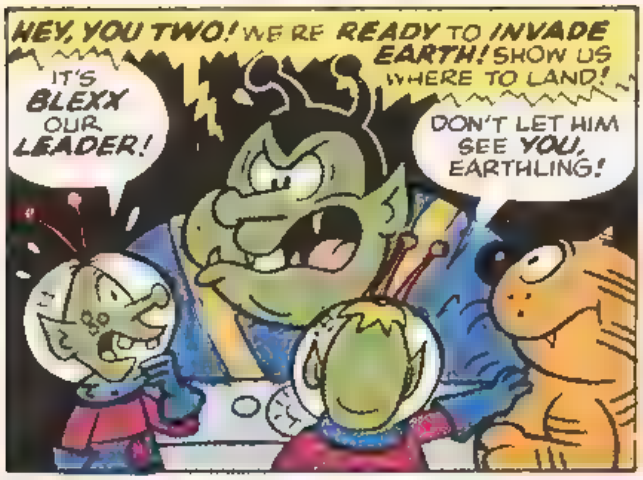

LOOK, DUMTRON! FOR ONCE I'M GLAD THAT HE'S THINKING!
GROCERS' DAY

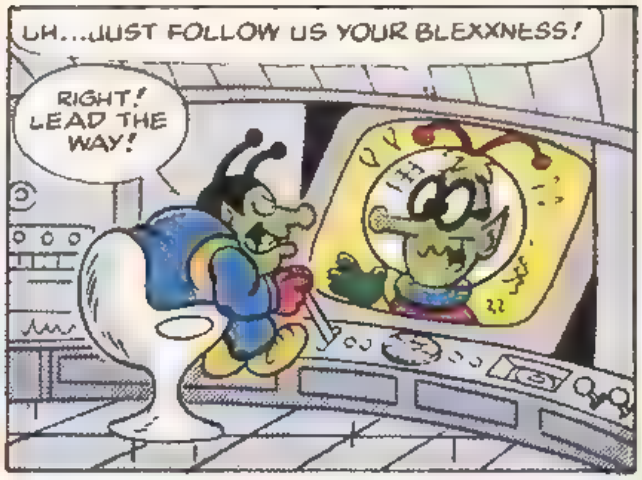

LET'S CLOSE OUR EYES SO THEY CAN'T SEE US!
C'MON DUMTRON! THE EARTHLING WANTS US TO FOLLOW HIM!

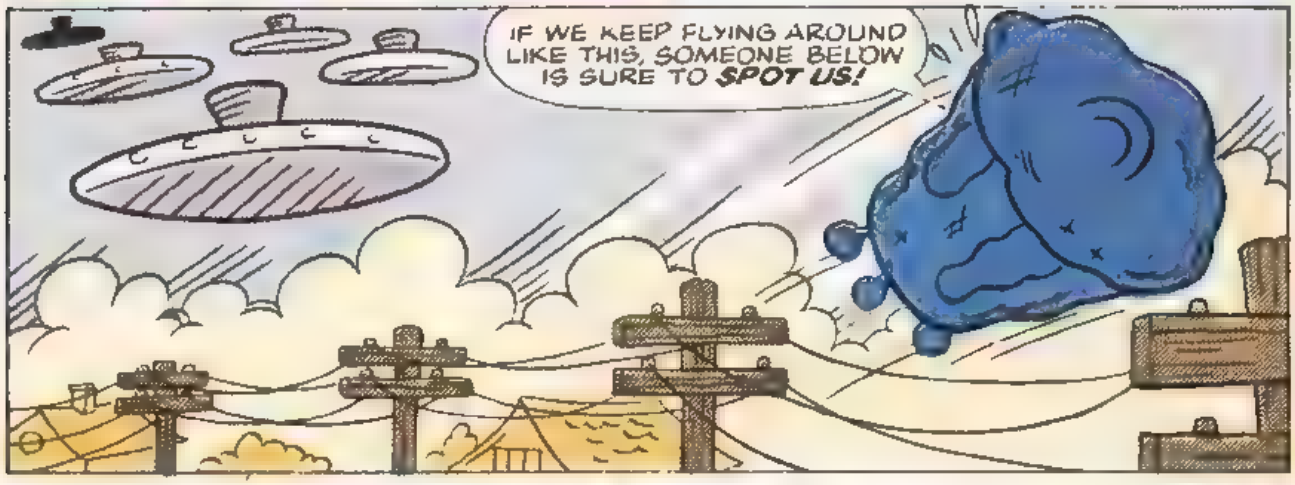

HE'S TAKING US BACK TO OUR SPACE CRAFT!

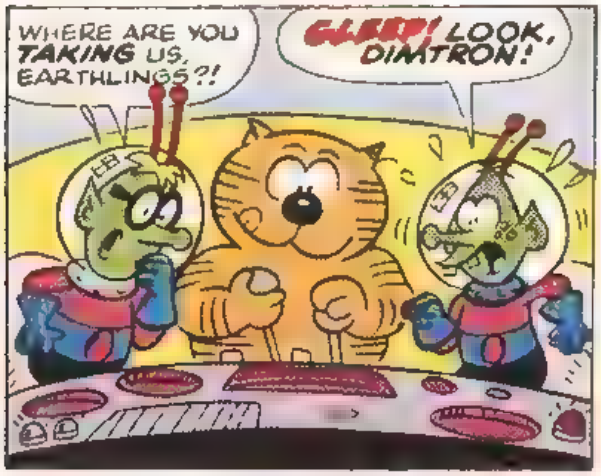

THE FLEET IS SURE TO FOLLOW US WHEREVER WE GO, EARTHLINGS!

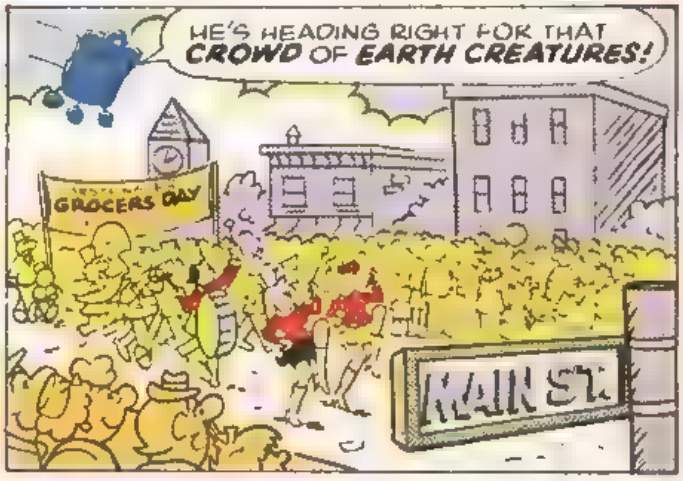

WE'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO FLY OUR CRAFT! I HOPE YOU HAVE AN IDEA!

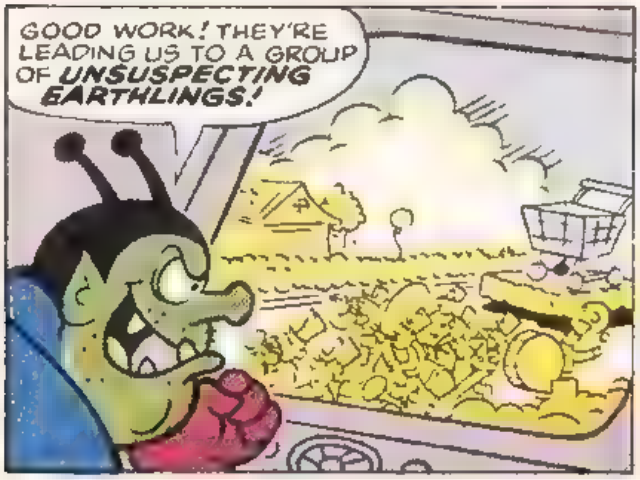

HEY, YOU TWO! WE'RE READY TO INVADE EARTH! SHOW US WHERE TO LAND!
IT'S BLEXX OUR LEADER!
DON'T LET HIM SEE YOU, EARTHLING!

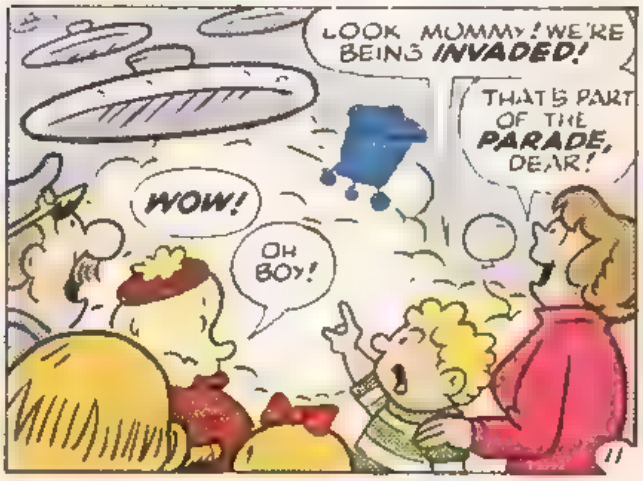

UH...JUST FOLLOW US YOUR BLEXXNESS!
RIGHT! LEAD THE WAY!


IF WE KEEP FLYING AROUND LIKE THIS, SOMEONE BELOW IS SURE TO SPOT US!


WHERE ARE YOU TAKING US, EARTHLINGS?!
GLERP! LOOK, DIMTRON!


HE'S HEADING RIGHT FOR THAT CROWD OF EARTH CREATURES!
GROCERS DAY
MAIN ST.


GOOD WORK! THEY'RE LEADING US TO A GROUP OF UNSUSPECTING EARTHLINGS!


LOOK MUMMY! WE'RE BEING INVADED!
THAT'S PART OF THE PARADE, DEAR!
WOW!
OH BOY!

GLEEP!!

THE EARTHLINGS HAVE CAPTURED GIANT SPACE CREATURES TEN TIMES THEIR SIZE!!

ACME BALLOON CO.

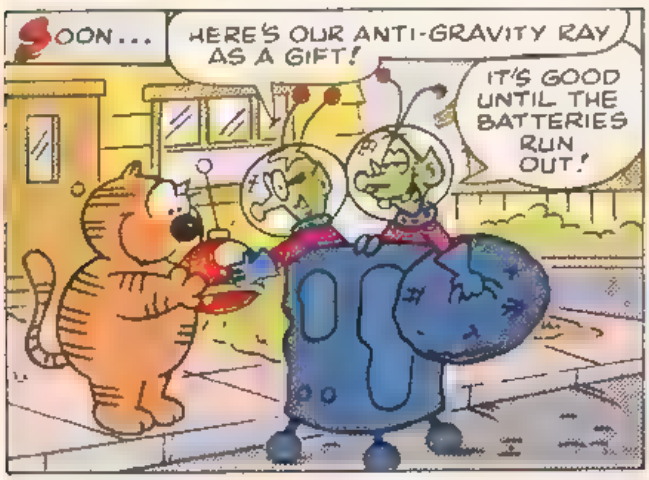
!!

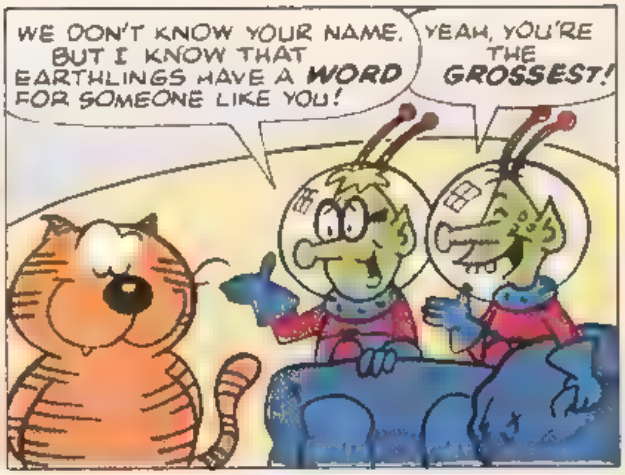
WE WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST EARTH! LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

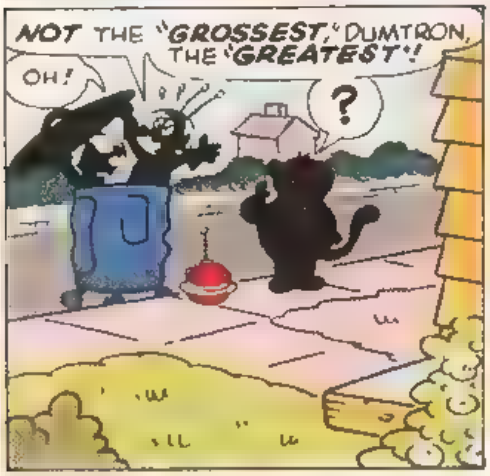
THEY'RE HEADING BACK TO OUR PLANET!

YOU DID IT, EARTHLING!

LET'S GET AWAY BEFORE ANYONE REALIZES WHAT'S HAPPENED!


SOON...
HERE'S OUR ANTI-GRAVITY RAY AS A GIFT!
IT'S GOOD UNTIL THE BATTERIES RUN OUT!


WE DON'T KNOW YOUR NAME, BUT I KNOW THAT EARTHLINGS HAVE A WORD FOR SOMEONE LIKE YOU!
YEAH, YOU'RE THE GROSSEST!


NOT THE "GROSSEST," DUMTRON, THE "GREATEST"!
OH!
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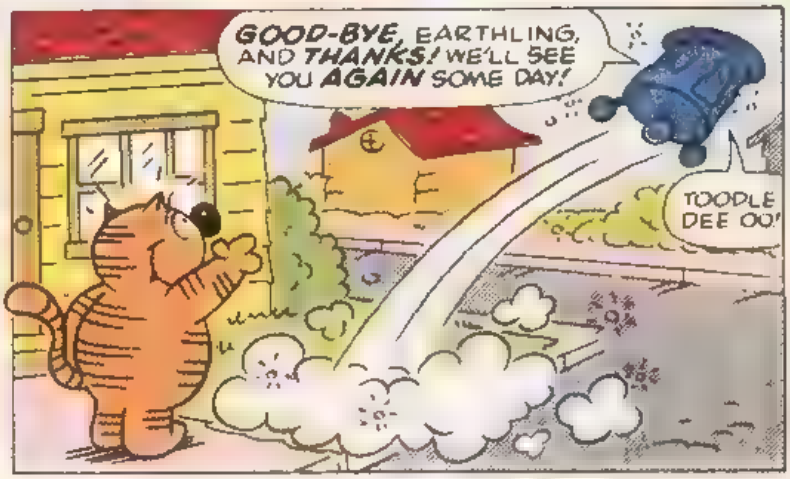
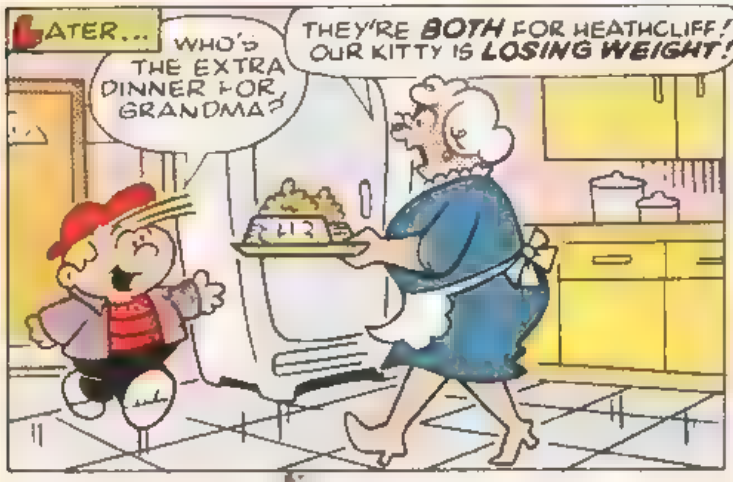
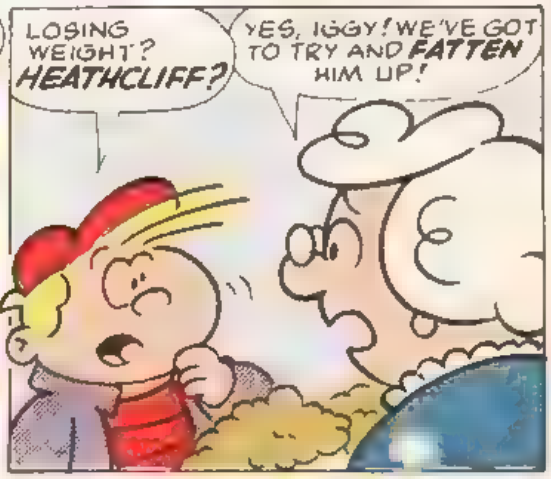
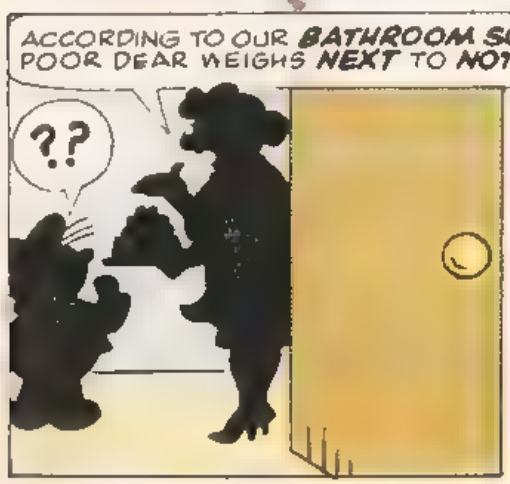

GOOD-BYE, EARTHLING, AND THANKS! WE'LL SEE YOU AGAIN SOME DAY!
TOODLE DEE OO!


LATER...
WHO'S THE EXTRA DINNER FOR, GRANDMA?
THEY'RE BOTH FOR HEATHCLIFF! OUR KITTY IS LOSING WEIGHT!


LOSING WEIGHT? HEATHCLIFF?
YES, IGGY! WE'VE GOT TO TRY AND FATTEN HIM UP!


ACCORDING TO OUR BATHROOM SCALE, THE POOR DEAR WEIGHS NEXT TO NOTHING!
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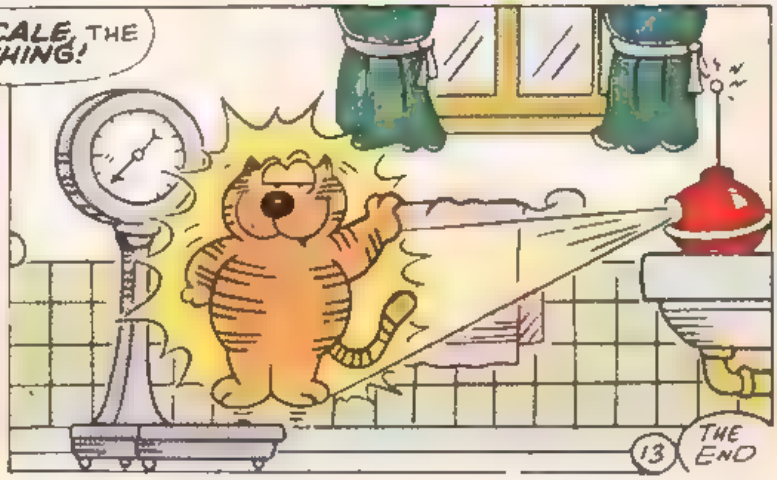

THE END

TOP DOG™

IS THE TALK OF THE TOWN!

BUT ONLY ME AND JOEY JORDAN AND NOW *YOU* KNOW ABOUT IT!

HE'S A *WALKING, TALKING GENIUS* WITH AN AMAZING *SECRET* PAST AND A *WILD* AND *HILARIOUS* FUTURE! DON'T MISS AN ISSUE FEATURING THIS *NEW SUPER STAR*...AND LEARN MORE OF THE SECRET LIFE OF **TOP DOG!**

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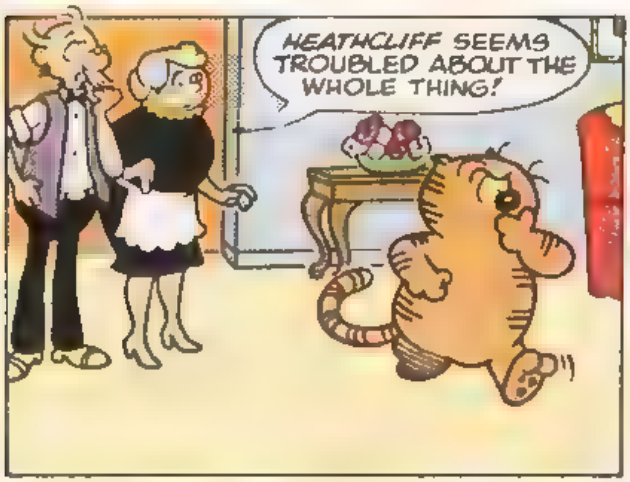
HEATHCLIFF in THE KITNAP KAPER

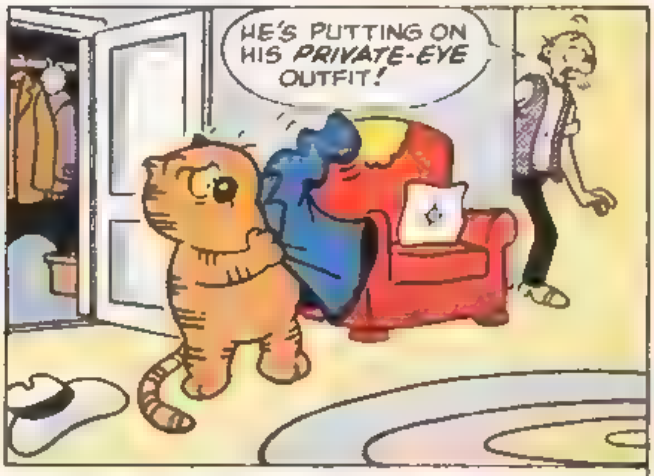
GRIEF-STRICKEN, MRS. VAN LOOT ANNOUNCED THE DISAPPEARANCE OF HER PRIZE SILVER-HAIRED PERSIAN CAT! FOUL PLAY IS SUSPECTED!

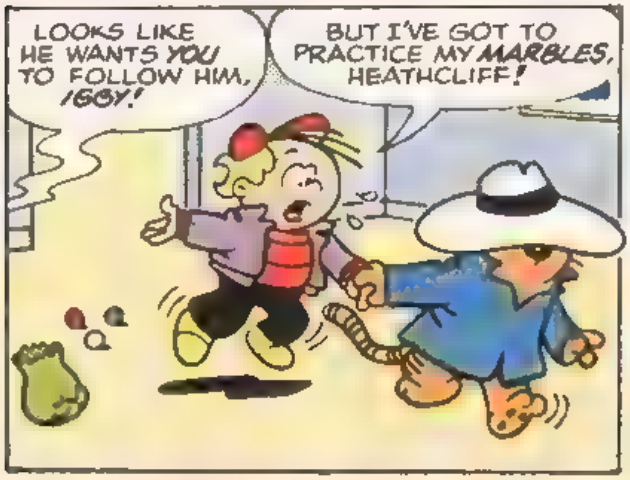
GOSH!

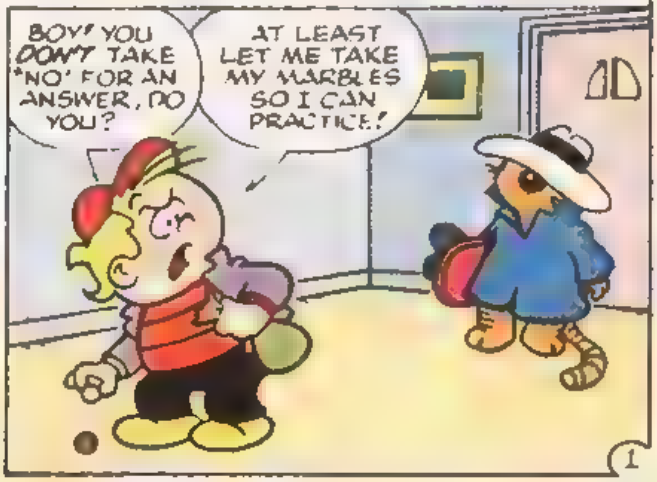
HOW AWFUL!

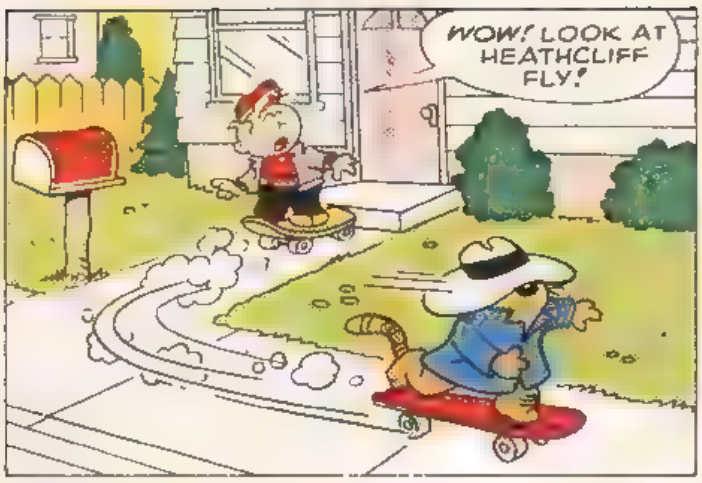
GEORGE GLADIR STORY
WARREN KREMER PENCILS
JACQUELINE ROETTCHER INKS

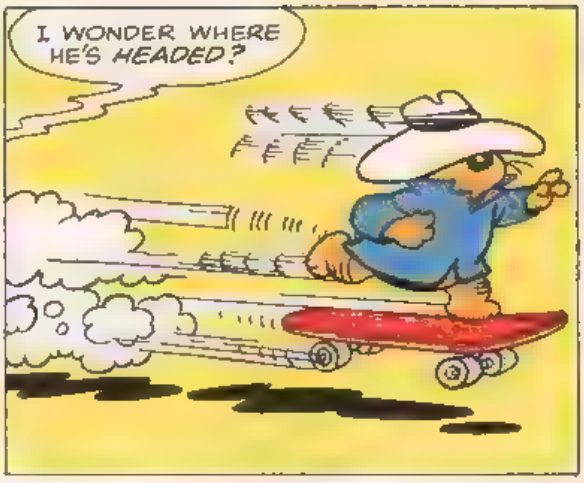


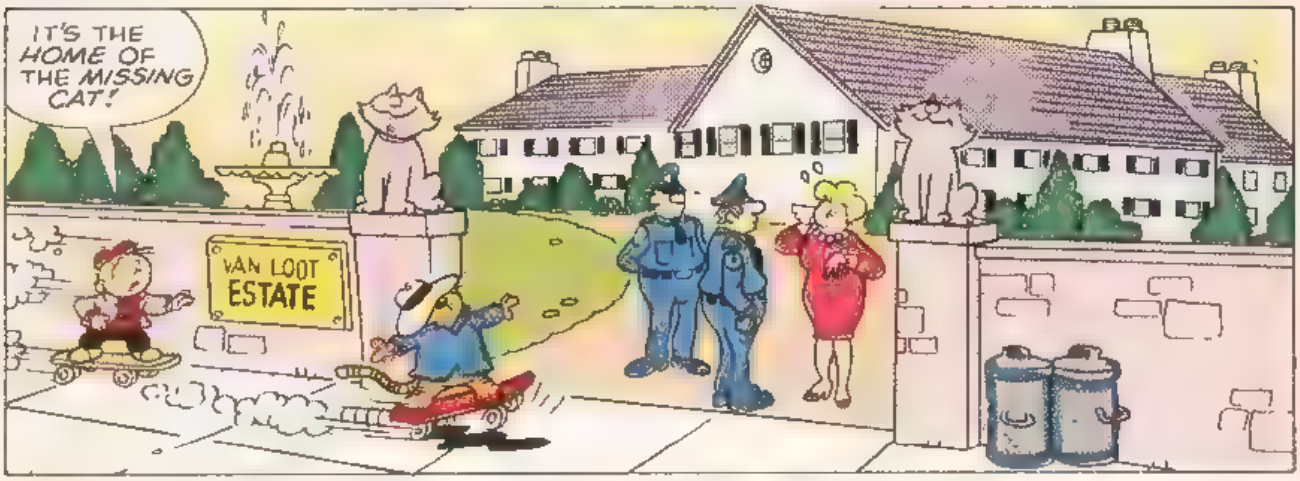




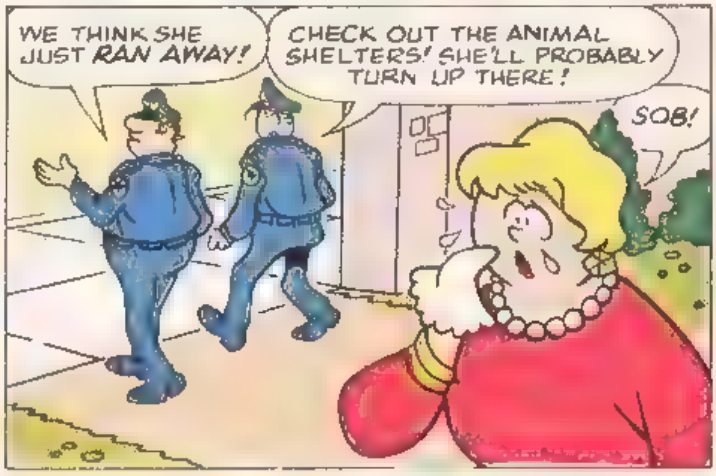


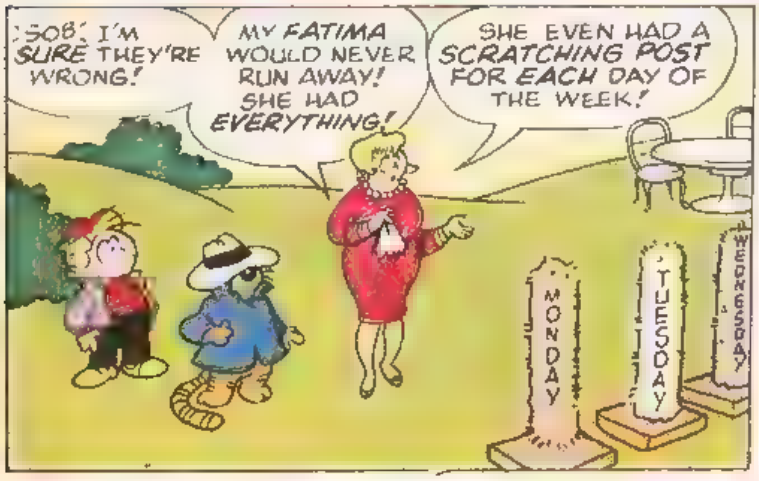

WOW! LOOK AT HEATHCLIFF FLY!

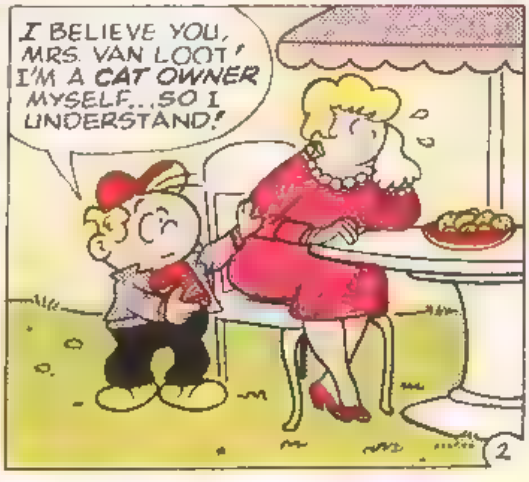

I WONDER WHERE HE'S HEADED?


IT'S THE HOME OF THE MISSING CAT!
VAN LOOT ESTATE

MRS. VAN LOOT, WE DON'T BELIEVE YOUR CAT WAS KIDNAPPED!
THERE IS NO RANSOM NOTE!


WE THINK SHE JUST RAN AWAY!
CHECK OUT THE ANIMAL SHELTERS! SHE'LL PROBABLY TURN UP THERE!
SOB!

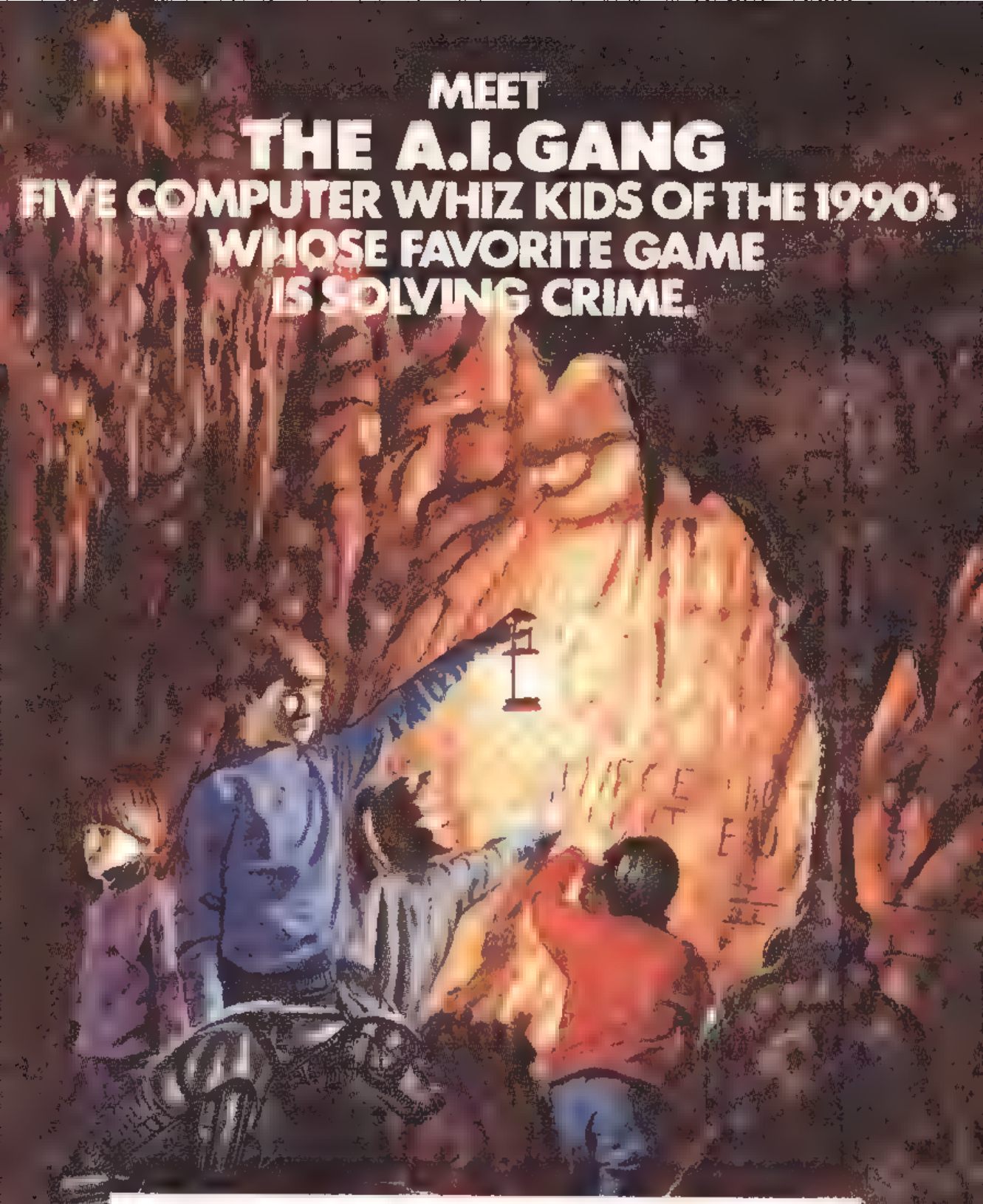

SOB! I'M SURE THEY'RE WRONG!
MY FATIMA WOULD NEVER RUN AWAY! SHE HAD EVERYTHING!
SHE EVEN HAD A SCRATCHING POST FOR EACH DAY OF THE WEEK!
MONDAY
TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY


I BELIEVE YOU, MRS. VAN LOOT! I'M A CAT OWNER MYSELF...SO I UNDERSTAND!

MEET

THE A.I. GANG

FIVE COMPUTER WHIZ KIDS OF THE 1990's WHOSE FAVORITE GAME IS SOLVING CRIME.



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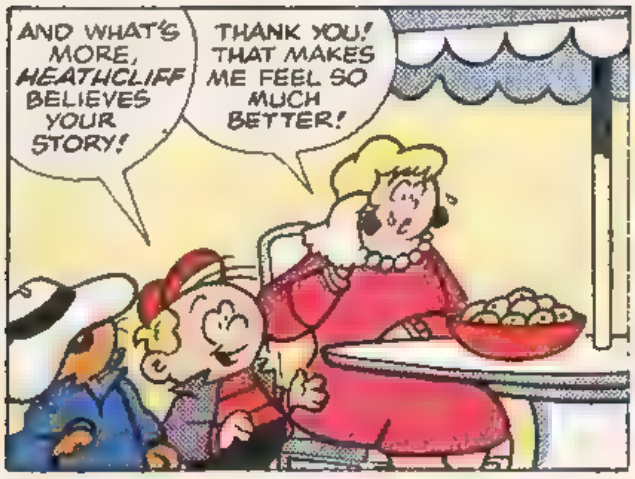
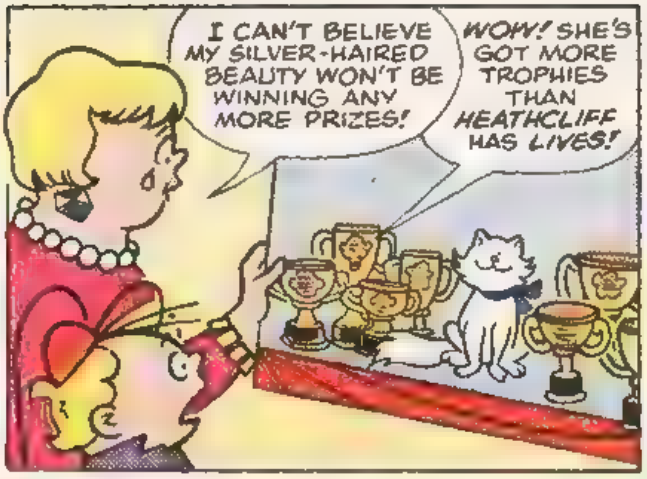
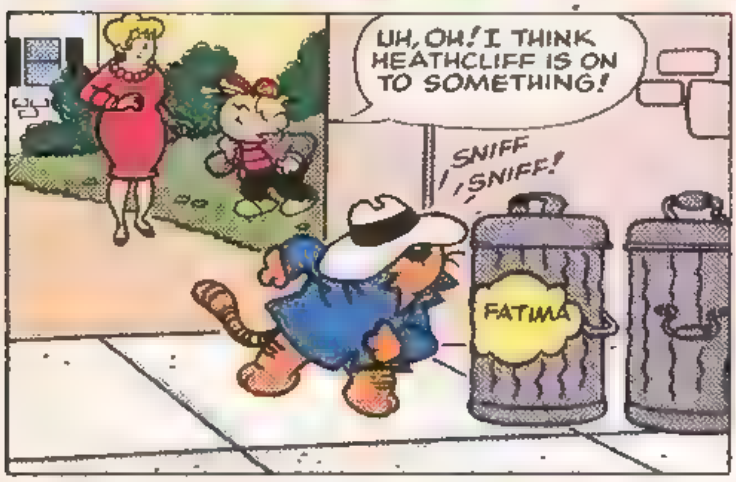
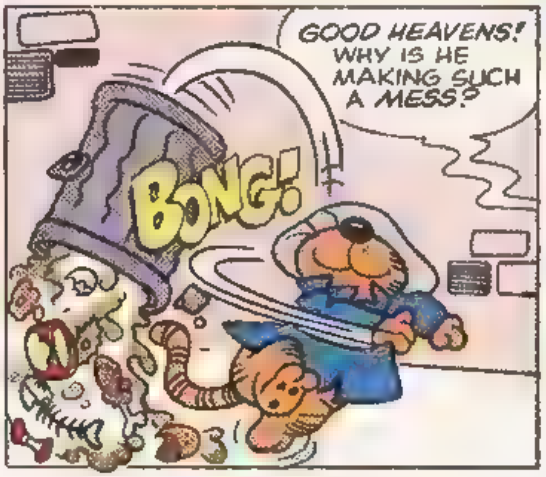
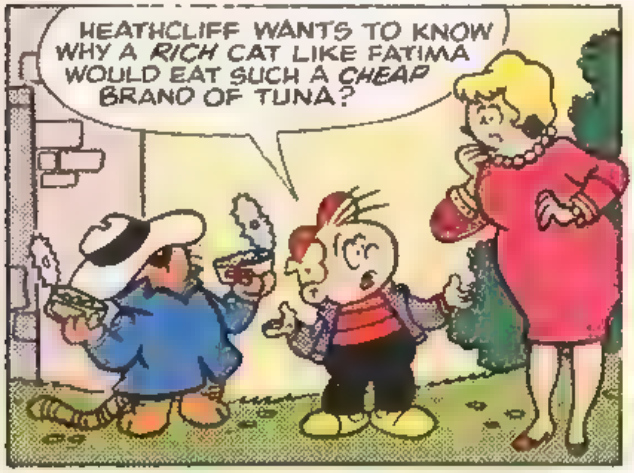
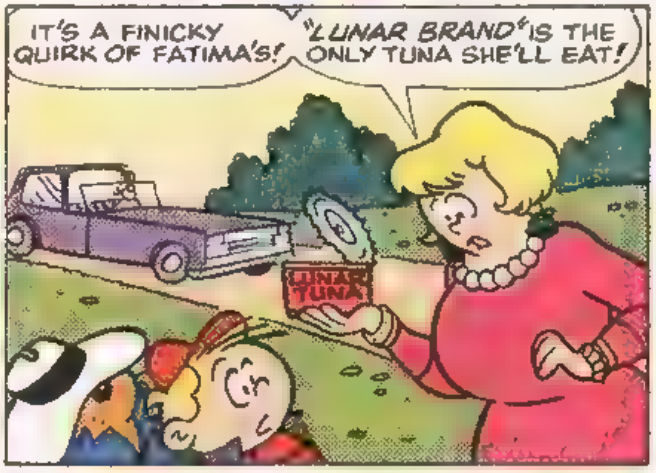

AND WHAT'S MORE, HEATHCLIFF BELIEVES YOUR STORY!
THANK YOU! THAT MAKES ME FEEL SO MUCH BETTER!

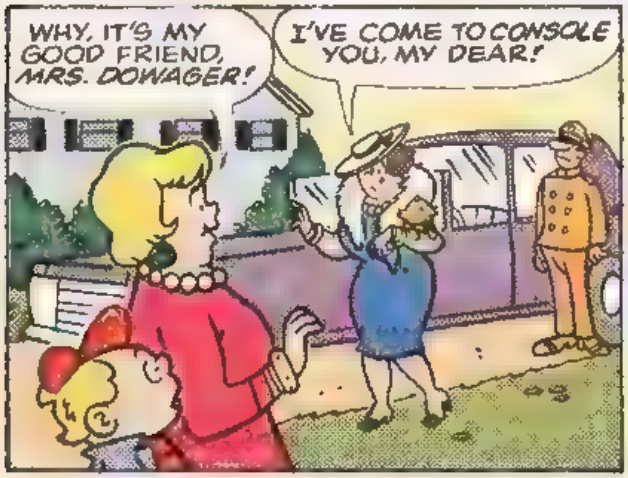

I CAN'T BELIEVE MY SILVER-HAIRED BEAUTY WON'T BE WINNING ANY MORE PRIZES!
WOW! SHE'S GOT MORE TROPHIES THAN HEATHCLIFF HAS LIVES!

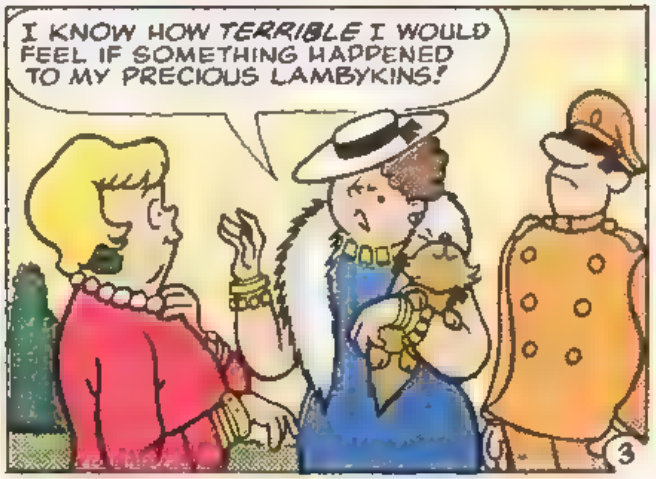

UH, OH! I THINK HEATHCLIFF IS ON TO SOMETHING!
SNIFF SNIFF!
FATIMA


GOOD HEAVENS! WHY IS HE MAKING SUCH A MESS?
BONG!


HEATHCLIFF WANTS TO KNOW WHY A RICH CAT LIKE FATIMA WOULD EAT SUCH A CHEAP BRAND OF TUNA?


IT'S A FINICKY QUIRK OF FATIMA'S!
"LUNAR BRAND" IS THE ONLY TUNA SHE'LL EAT!
LUNAR TUNA


WHY, IT'S MY GOOD FRIEND, MRS. DOWAGER!
I'VE COME TO CONSOLE YOU, MY DEAR!


I KNOW HOW TERRIBLE I WOULD FEEL IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO MY PRECIOUS LAMBYKINS!

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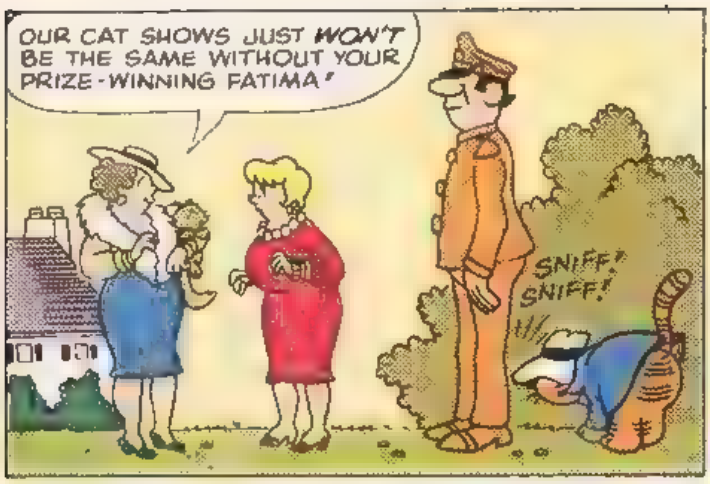
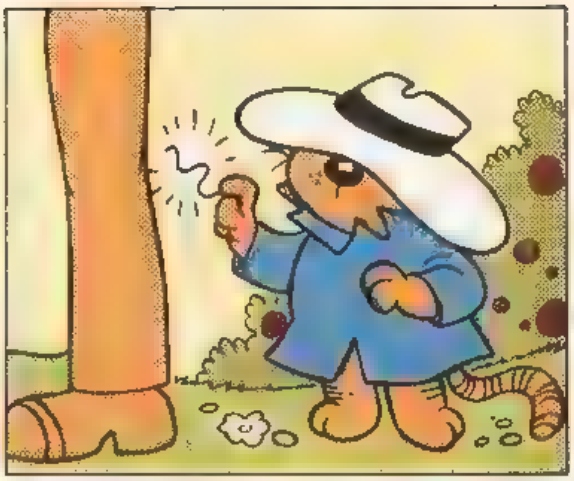
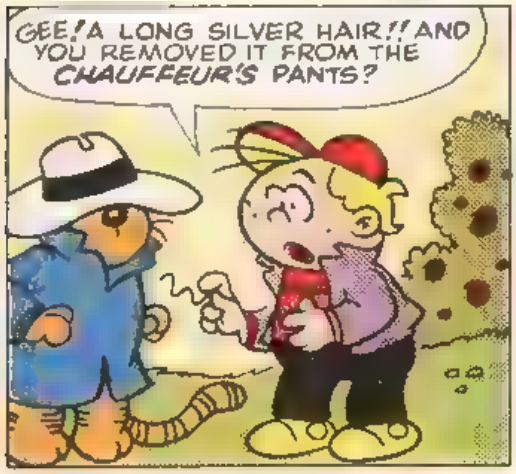
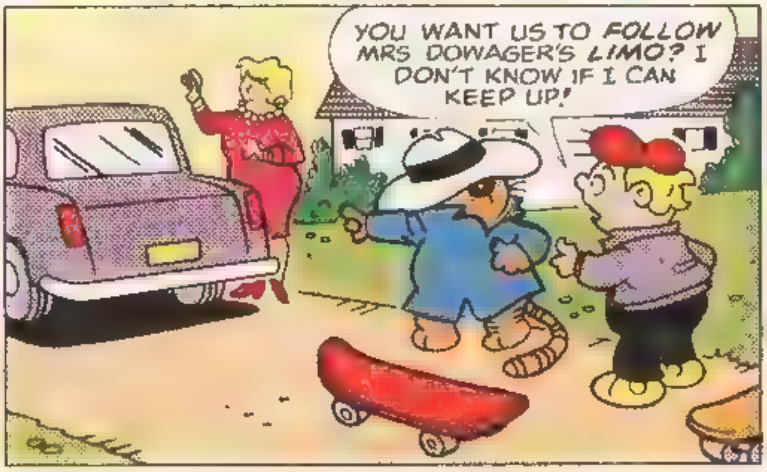
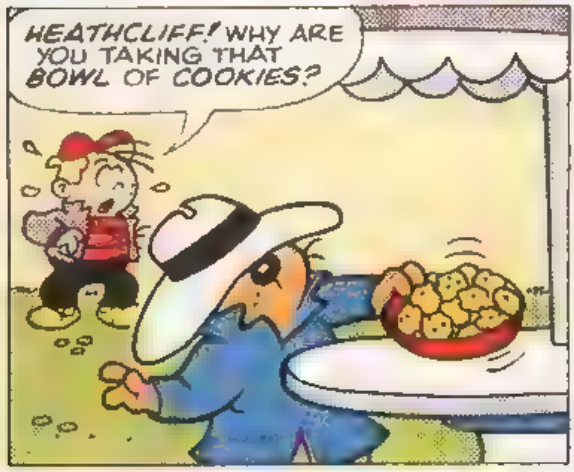
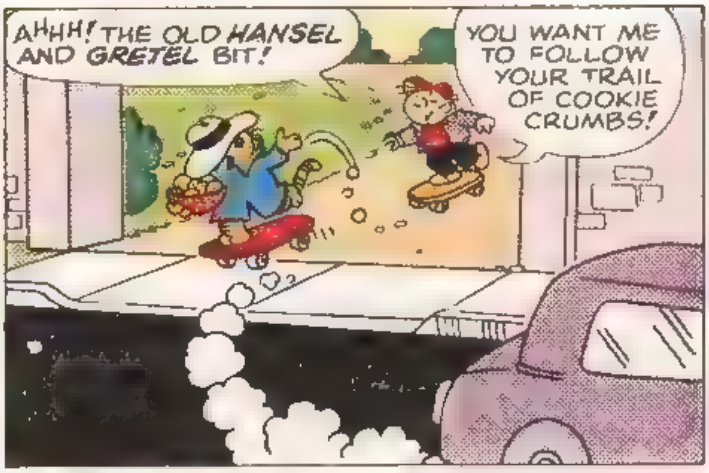

OUR CAT SHOWS JUST WON'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT YOUR PRIZE-WINNING FATIMA!
SNIFF! SNIFF!

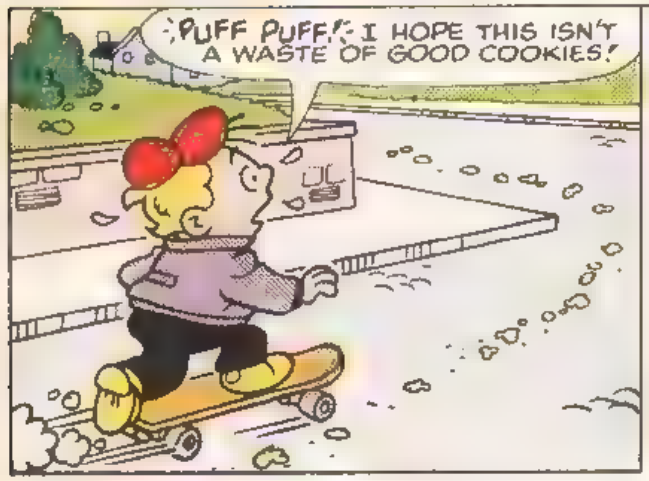


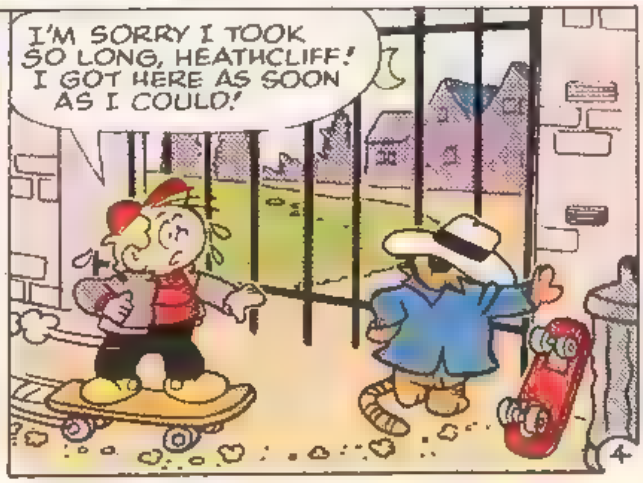

GEE! A LONG SILVER HAIR!! AND YOU REMOVED IT FROM THE CHAUFFEUR'S PANTS?

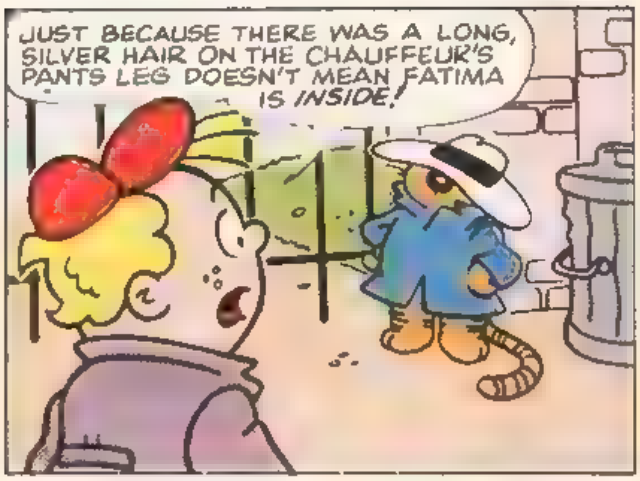

YOU WANT US TO FOLLOW MRS DOWAGER'S LIMO? I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN KEEP UP!

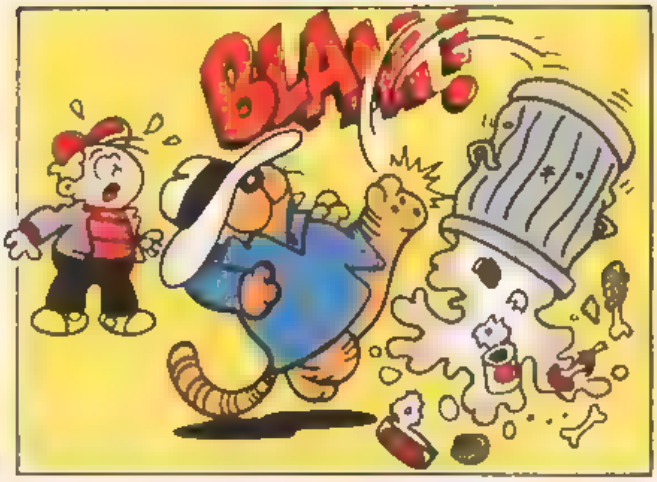

HEATHCLIFF! WHY ARE YOU TAKING THAT BOWL OF COOKIES?


AHHH! THE OLD HANSEL AND GRETEL BIT!
YOU WANT ME TO FOLLOW YOUR TRAIL OF COOKIE CRUMBS!


PUFF PUFF! I HOPE THIS ISN'T A WASTE OF GOOD COOKIES!


I'M SORRY I TOOK SO LONG, HEATHCLIFF! I GOT HERE AS SOON AS I COULD!


JUST BECAUSE THERE WAS A LONG, SILVER HAIR ON THE CHAUFFEUR'S PANTS LEG DOESN'T MEAN FATIMA IS *INSIDE!*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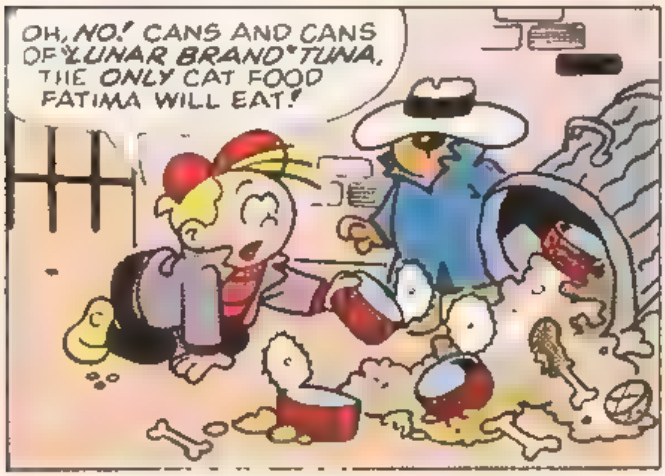
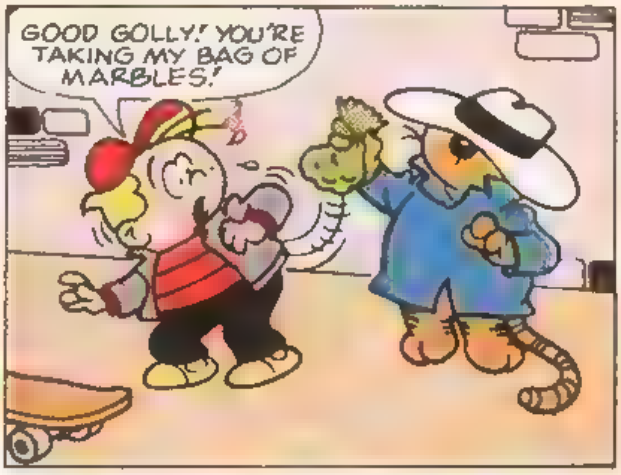
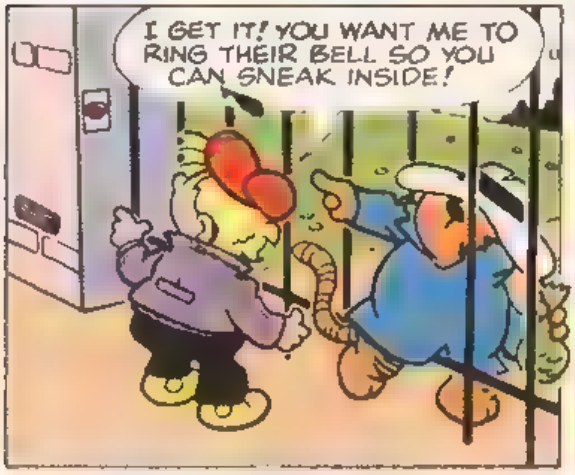
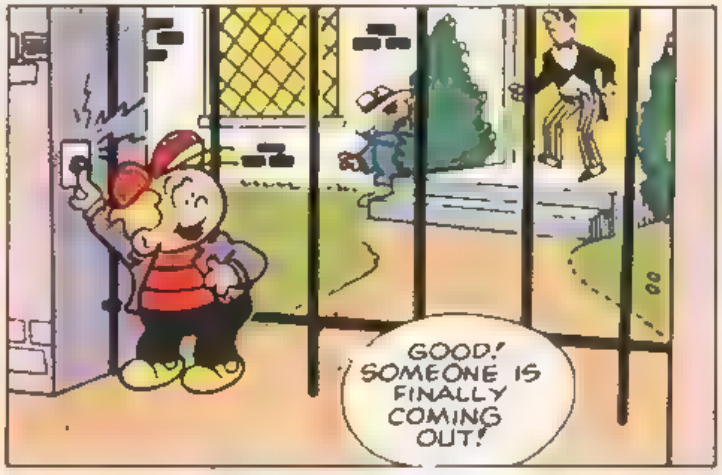
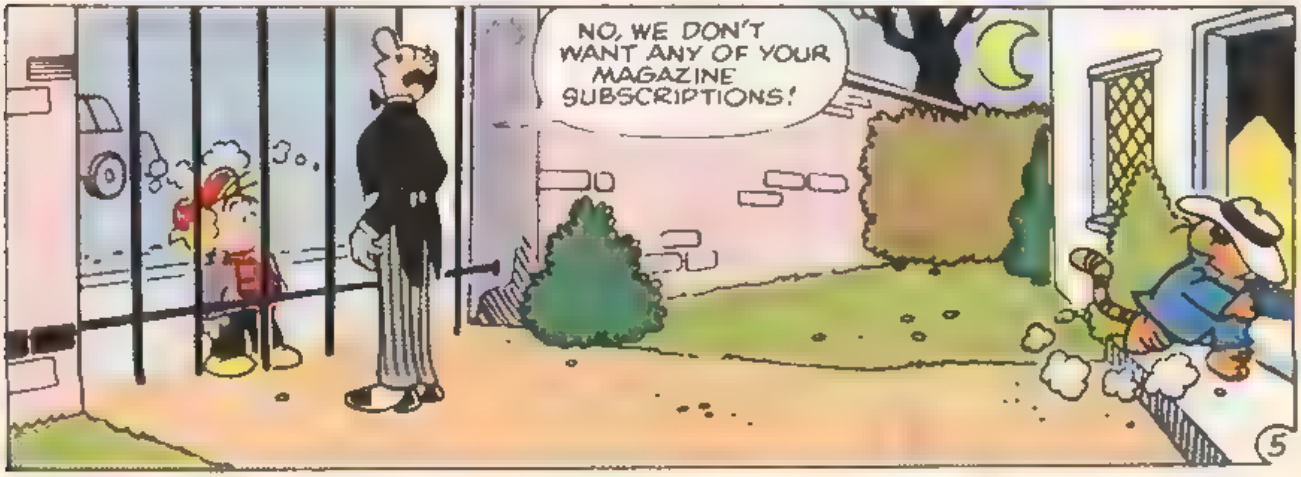

OH, *NO!* CANS AND CANS OF *LUNAR BRAND* TUNA, THE *ONLY* CAT FOOD FATIMA WILL EAT!


GOOD GOLLY! YOU'RE TAKING MY BAG OF MARBLES!


I GET IT! YOU WANT ME TO RING THEIR BELL SO YOU CAN SNEAK INSIDE!


GOOD! SOMEONE IS FINALLY COMING OUT!


NO, WE DON'T WANT ANY OF YOUR MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS!

Newtons Fruit Chewy Mix-Up!

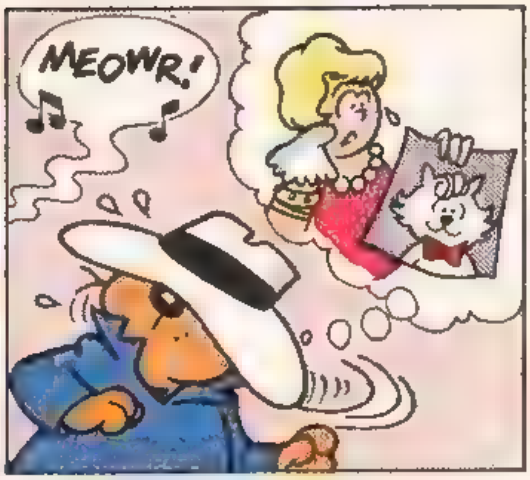
Unscramble the letters on the left and fill in the Fruit Chewy Newtons flavors on the right!

HINT: there are two new flavors!

ANSWERS: FIG, APPLE, CHERRY, BLUEBERRY

NABISCO BRANDS

MY DARLING WANDA WILL BE ABLE TO WIN ALL THE TROPHIES NOW THAT FATIMA IS OUT OF THE RUNNING!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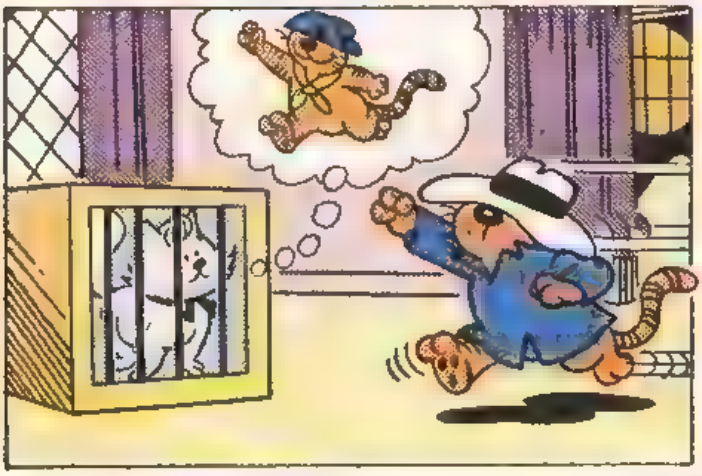
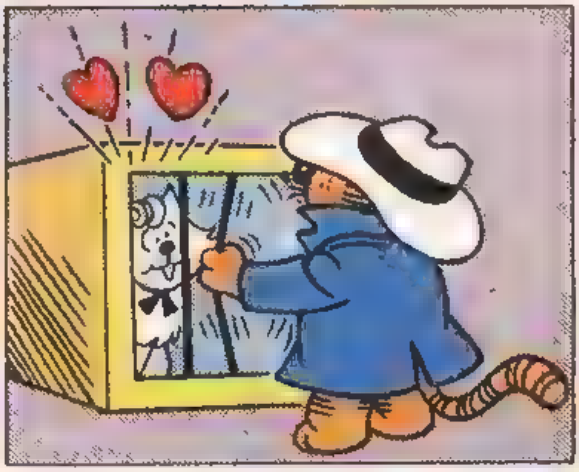
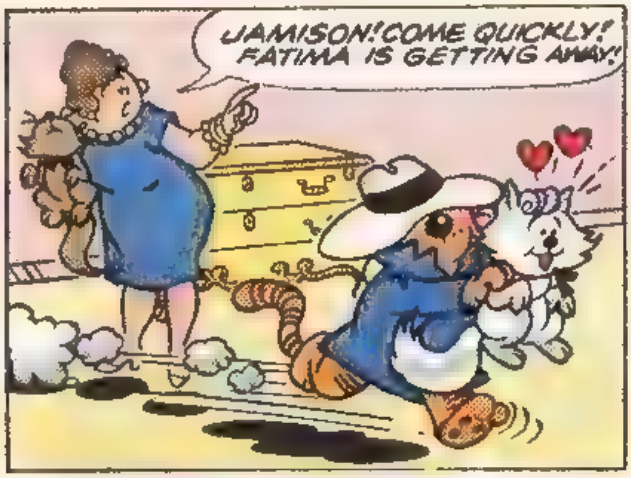
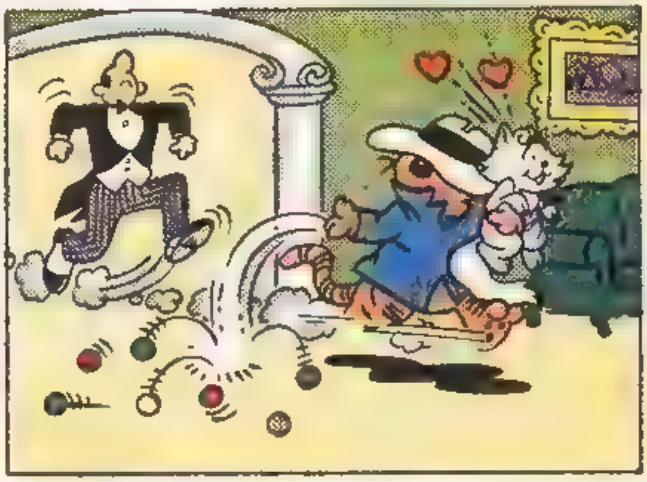
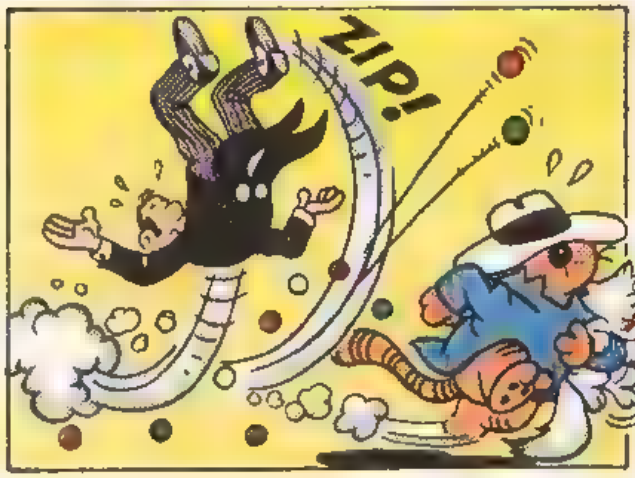





JAMISON! COME QUICKLY! FATIMA IS GETTING AWAY!

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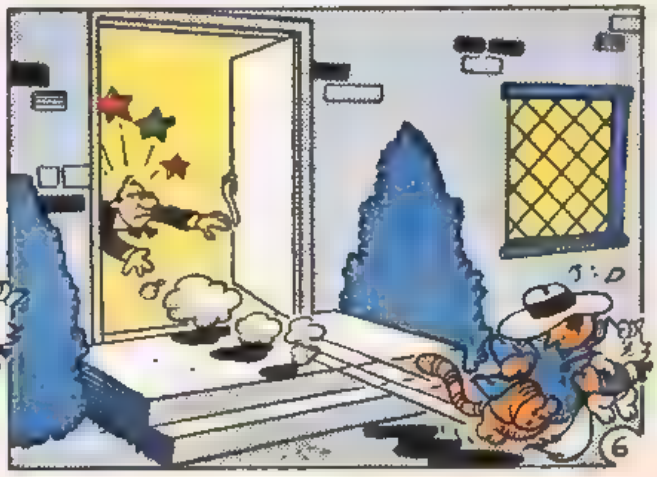

STAR SIGNALS

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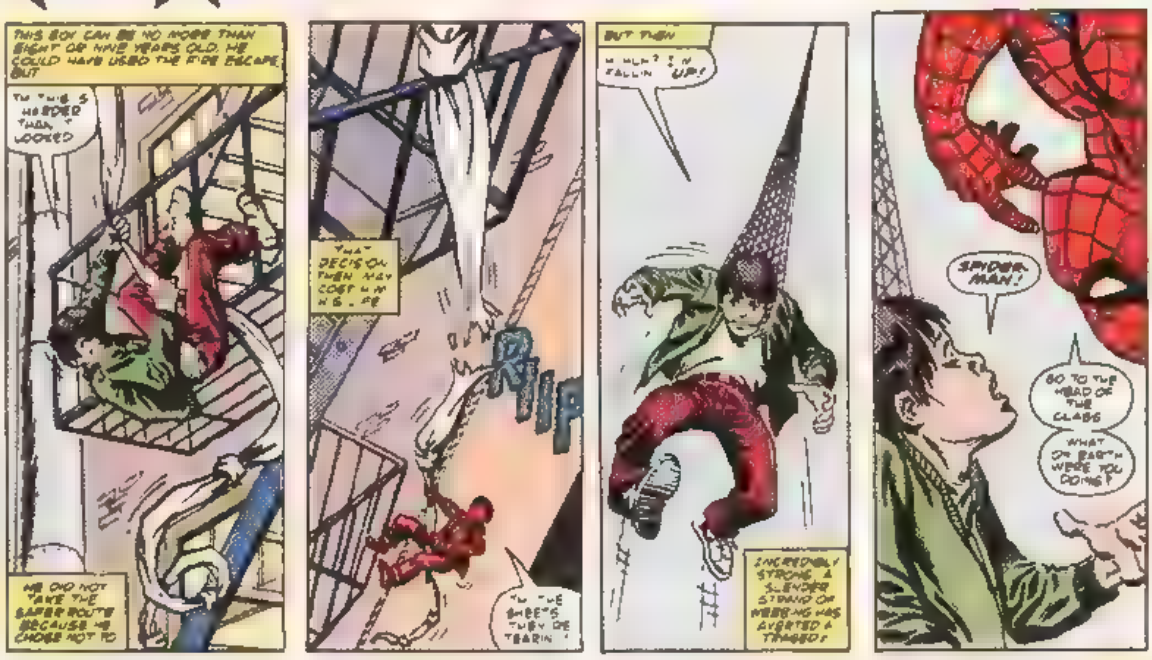

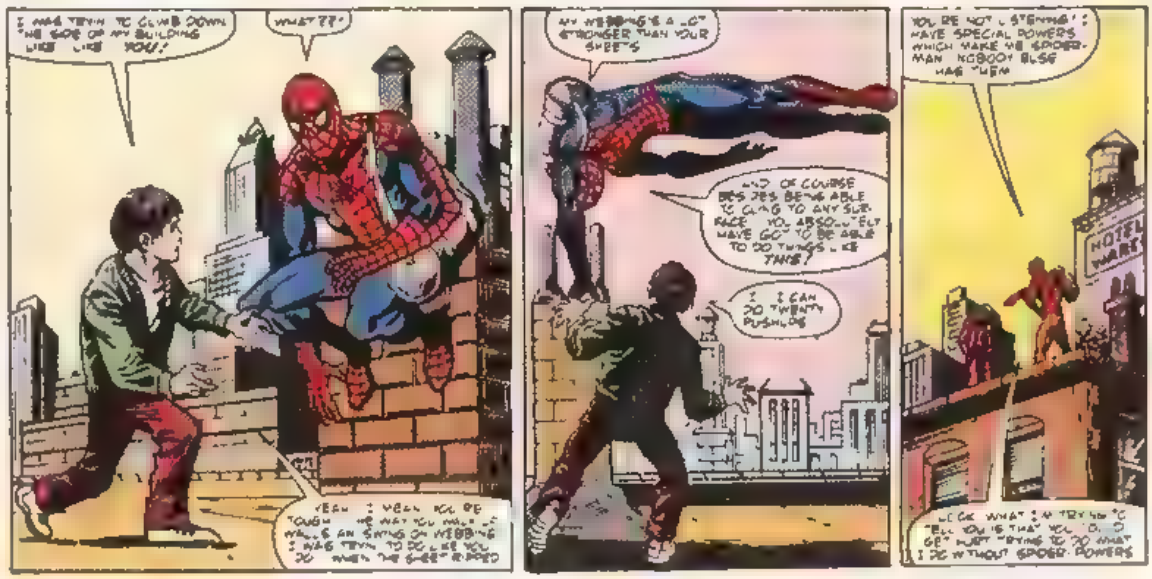

Get the message?
Have a fun, and safe summer.

Thanks for being there!

Tom D.

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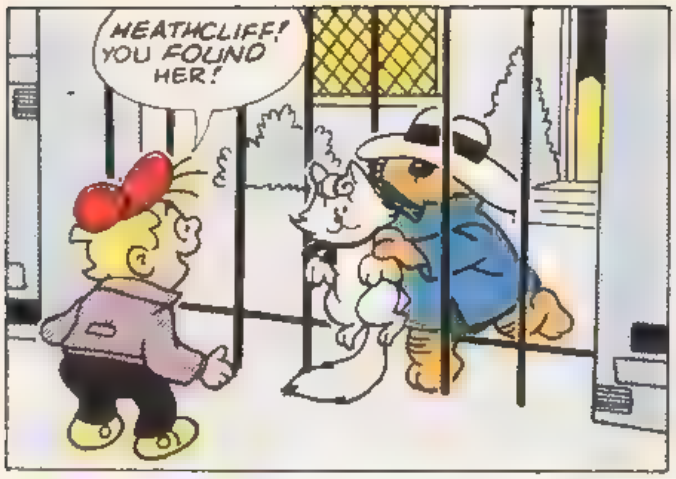
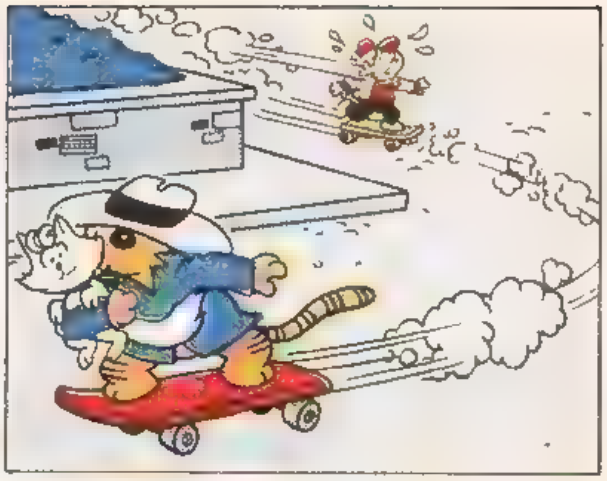
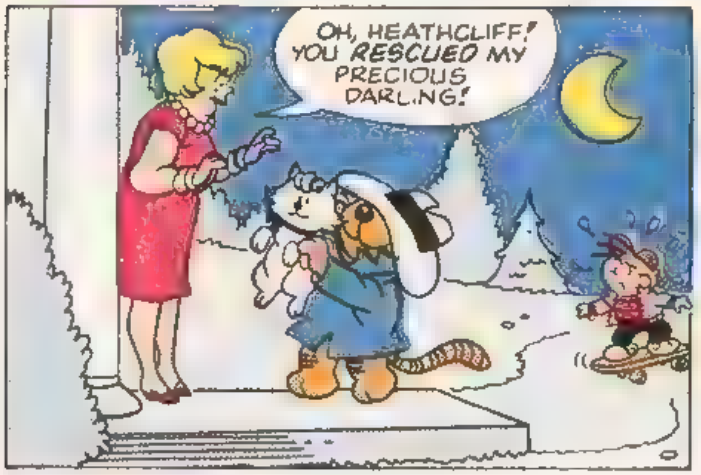
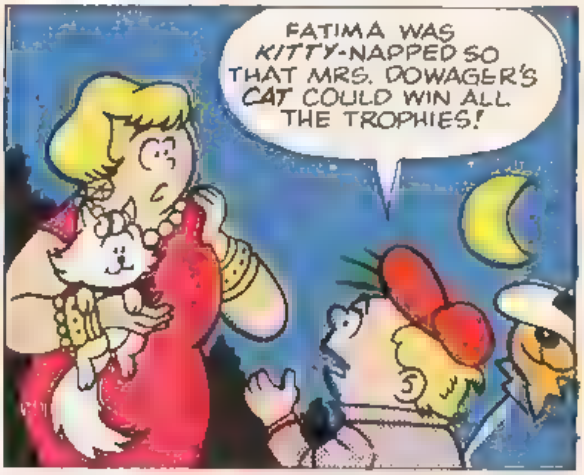
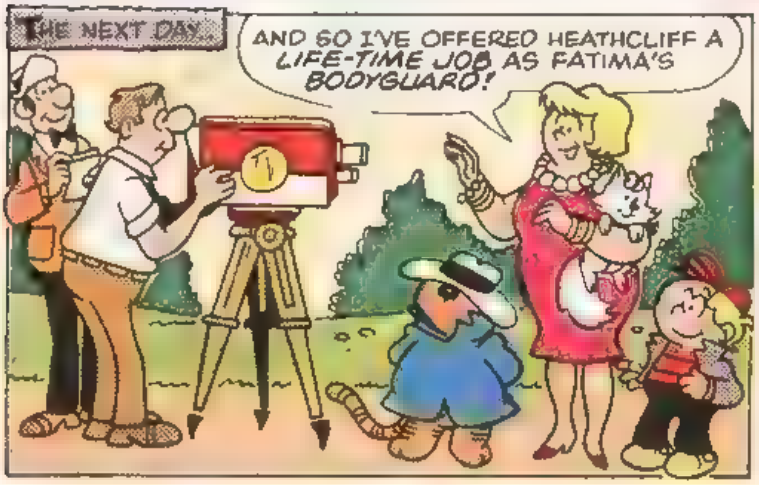
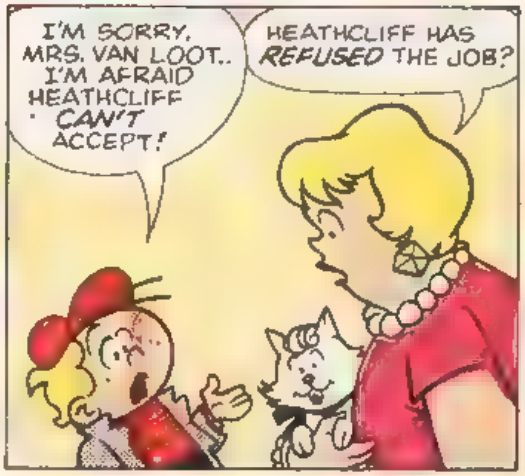

HEATHCLIFF! YOU FOUND HER!

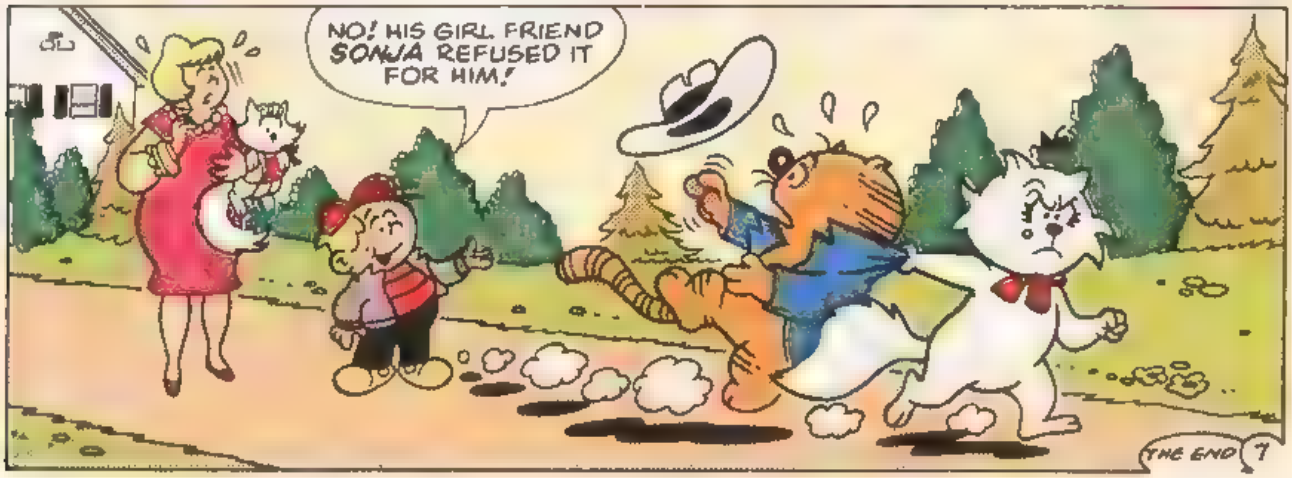


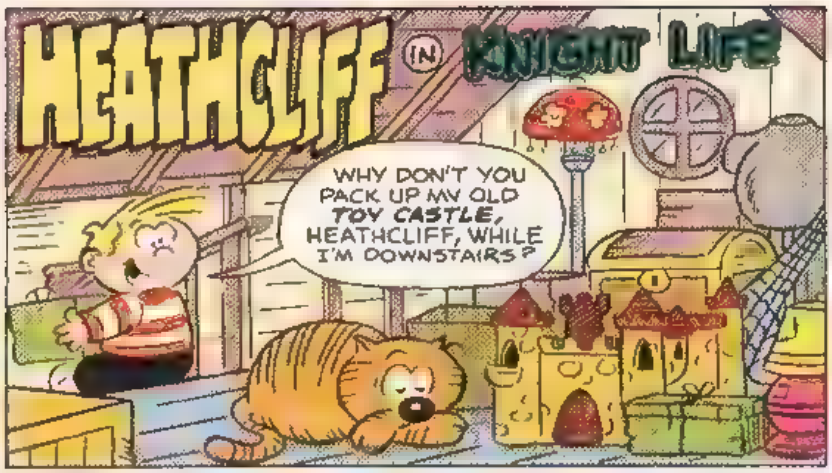

OH, HEATHCLIFF! YOU RESCUED MY PRECIOUS DARLING!


FATIMA WAS KITTY-NAPPED SO THAT MRS. DOWAGER'S CAT COULD WIN ALL THE TROPHIES!

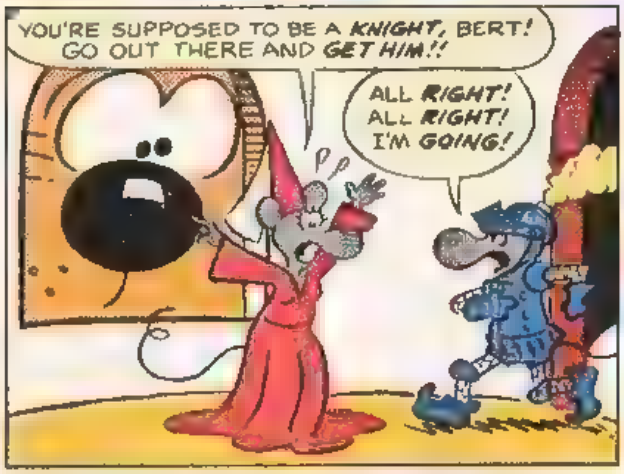

THE NEXT DAY...
AND SO I'VE OFFERED HEATHCLIFF A LIFE-TIME JOB AS FATIMA'S BODYGUARD!

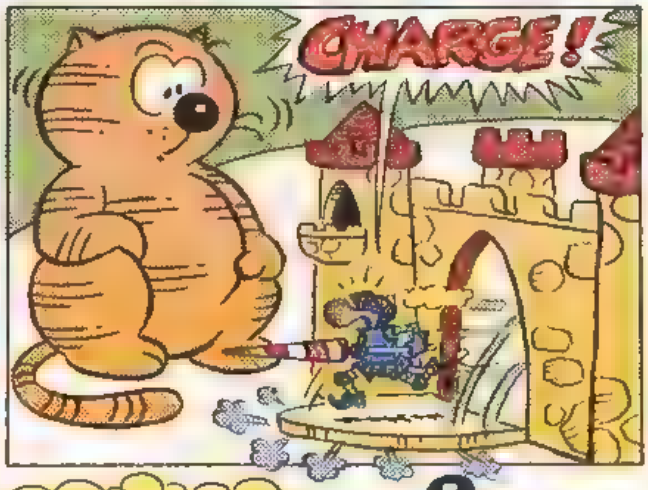

I'M SORRY, MRS. VAN LOOT.. I'M AFRAID HEATHCLIFF CAN'T ACCEPT!
HEATHCLIFF HAS REFUSED THE JOB?

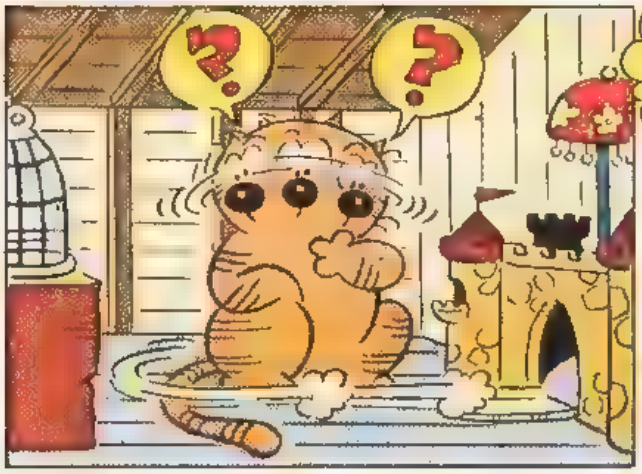

NO! HIS GIRL FRIEND SONJA REFUSED IT FOR HIM!
THE END


HEATHCLIFF IN KNIGHT LIFE
WHY DON'T YOU PACK UP MY OLD TOY CASTLE, HEATHCLIFF, WHILE I'M DOWNSTAIRS?

E-EEEK! A DRAGON!!


YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE A KNIGHT, BERT! GO OUT THERE AND GET HIM!!
ALL RIGHT! ALL RIGHT! I'M GOING!


CHARGE!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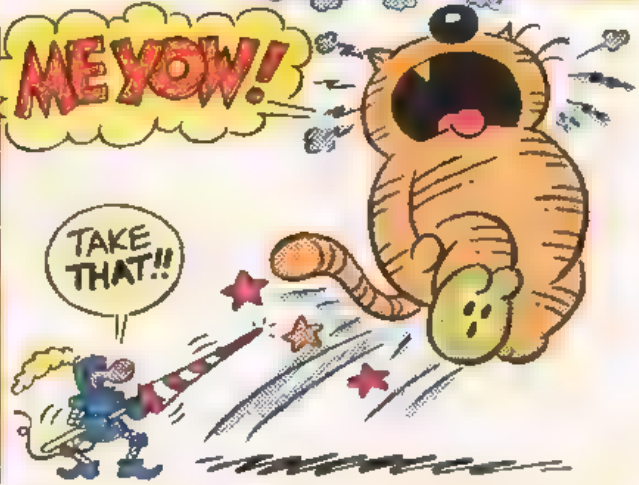
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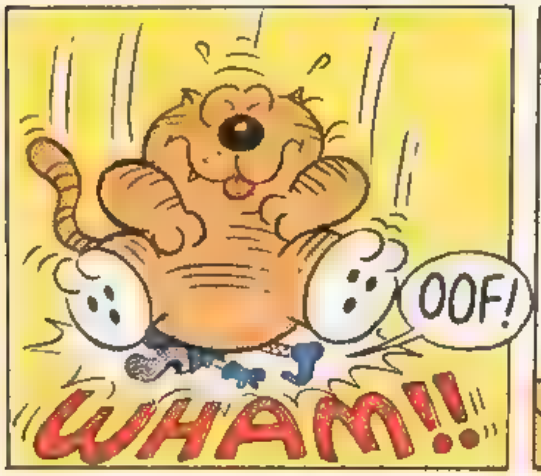
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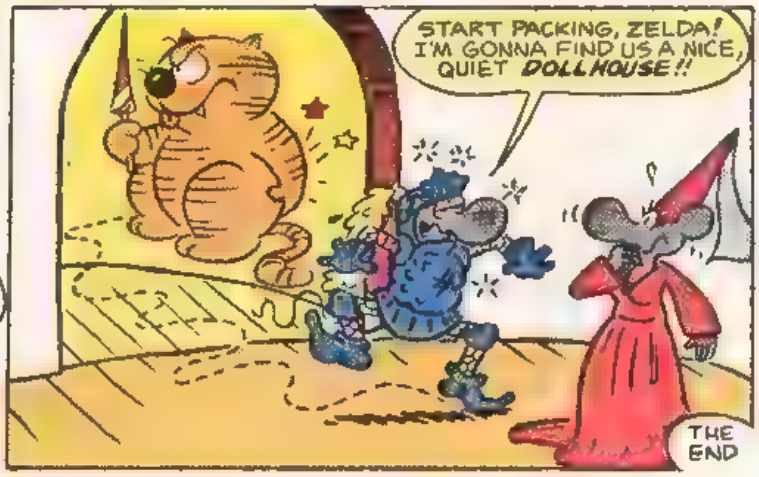
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Dear STAR Comics,

Earlier this season my sister bought me a HEATHCLIFF comic book for my birthday. It was great! I saw the subscription and ordered more. I am a big fan of HEATHCLIFF—and I mean Real Big. I can't wait for more comic books in the mail!

Mike Crowley, S.T.A.R.
Medford, MA

We're always thrilled to welcome another happy fan into the STAR family, Mike! Thanks so much for telling us how much you love HEATHCLIFF! Big fans like you deserve big, action-packed adventures—which is just what we're planning!

Dear S.T.A.R.,

I have found a mistake in one of your Heathcliff comics. At the end of issue #1, you put: "Next issue: A Day at the Circus, with Heathcliff in Command!" But the next issue is "The Secret of Captain Katt's Treasure." The Day at the Circus story isn't printed until issue #4.

Otherwise, I think Heathcliff is terrific. Keep up the good work!

Jason Hall
Sacramento, CA

You have very sharp eyes, Jason! We're sorry if you were confused. Although we try very hard, deadlines sometimes force us to switch things around at the last minute. We're only trying to make sure every HEATHCLIFF story is as funny and as exciting as it can be. Still, it's nice to know you're keeping such a close watch on STAR comics! And if we make occasional mistakes, please don't lose trust. After all, we're only human—not perfect, like Heathcliff!

Dear S.T.A.R.,

Hi! I am 14 years old. I started collecting STAR comics last year. I'm a Big Collector. My brother Jeff and I want to know: can we have HEATHCLIFF monthly? I think HEATHCLIFF is really funny.

Keep up the awesome work. And try to make HEATHCLIFF monthly. Please.

Rick O'Connor
Jeff Nascimento
Saco, ME

Thanks for the kind encouragement! And you may have noticed, Rick and Jeff, the issues you receive this summer *are* arriving monthly!

HEATHCLIFF received so many loads of fan mail, we just had to bow to our readers' superior taste! And that meant making HEATHCLIFF monthly. For now, this change will be just for the summer. But if you want more, tell us. We like to give you what you want!

Dear S.T.A.R.,

I just finished reading issue #8. It was great, good, fantastic!

I have two questions: (1) was Heathcliff ever boss of another neighborhood? (2) Does Heathcliff have a brother or a sister?

Bernie Zaranski
Baldwin, MD

As a fan, Bernie, we think *you* are great, good, fantastic!

To answer your first question, we have it on good authority that Heathcliff is boss of any neighborhood he happens to be in! And as far as we know, Heathcliff has no brothers or sisters. But we were afraid to ask too much about his family. Can you imagine more than one cat like Heathcliff? That might be more than *anyone* could handle!

Dear S.T.A.R.,

I think this whole idea of STAR comics is fantastic! I am 10 years old and I love reading HEATHCLIFF. I think Iggy's character is great. Now I'm looking forward to reading TOP DOG.

It's only since I came to Malysia that I took a real interest in comics. In Malaysia, people collect comics but not STAR comics because they are very hard to find.

Well, keep up the good work, STAR!

Evan Thompson, S.T.A.R.
Penang, Malaysia

We were so pleased to hear from you, Evan! Heathcliff always claimed he was worldly, and your letter proves it!

If you have trouble finding STAR titles, talk to your comics dealer. If you can encourage him/her to sell more HEATHCLIFF, TOP DOG, EWOKS, DROIDS, MUPPET BABIES, and CARE BEARS, you'll be doing other collectors in Malaysia a big favor, too!

Dear S.T.A.R.,

Two weeks ago, I bought my first HEATHCLIFF comic. I read it four times! It was so good I bought the rest of them from #1 to #7. And now I'm going to buy from #7 on up!

Edward Crabbe, S.T.A.R.
Kaneohoe, Hawaii

Only four times, Edward? Sounds like you are one avid fan!

Since you're new to the STAR family, we'll give you a good tip: try picking up copies of TOP DOG, DROIDS, EWOKS, CARE BEARS, HUGGABUNCH, MUPPET BABIES, and all the other STAR titles! And soon, we'll also be bringing out MADBALLS and POPPLES—two of the funniest, most exciting new comics to hit the stands! We're betting you'll be as thrilled with them as you are with HEATHCLIFF!

Dear S.T.A.R.,

I've read HEATHCLIFF and MUPPET BABIES and I really enjoyed them. I like them because they are exciting and adventurous, and overall because they are STAR comics! I'm very glad that you invented STAR comics!

Krista Eckberg

Wow, Krista! What a fan! Thanks for writing. We're happy you love STAR comics so much, because in fact, you are exactly the kind of person we invented STAR comics for!

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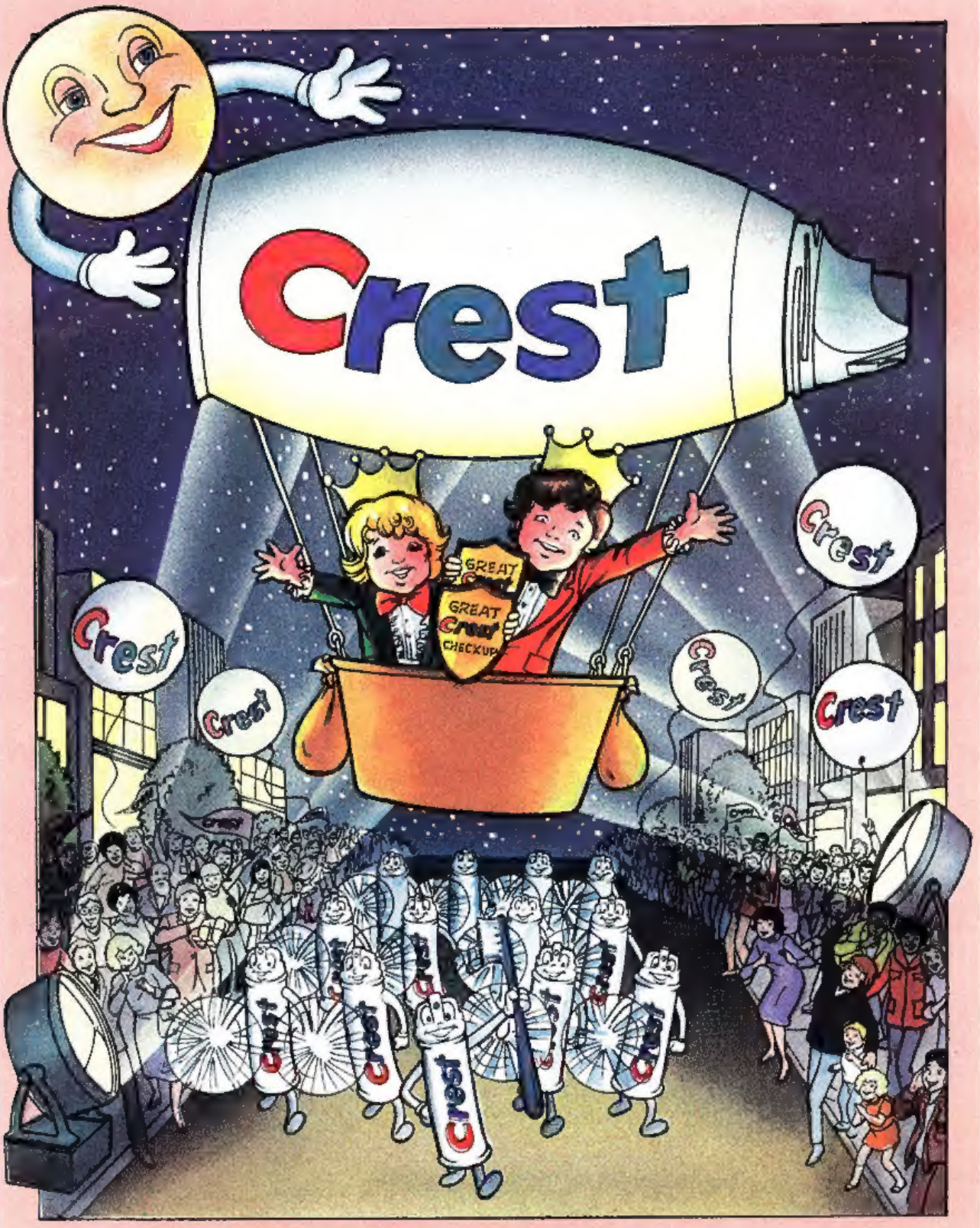

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